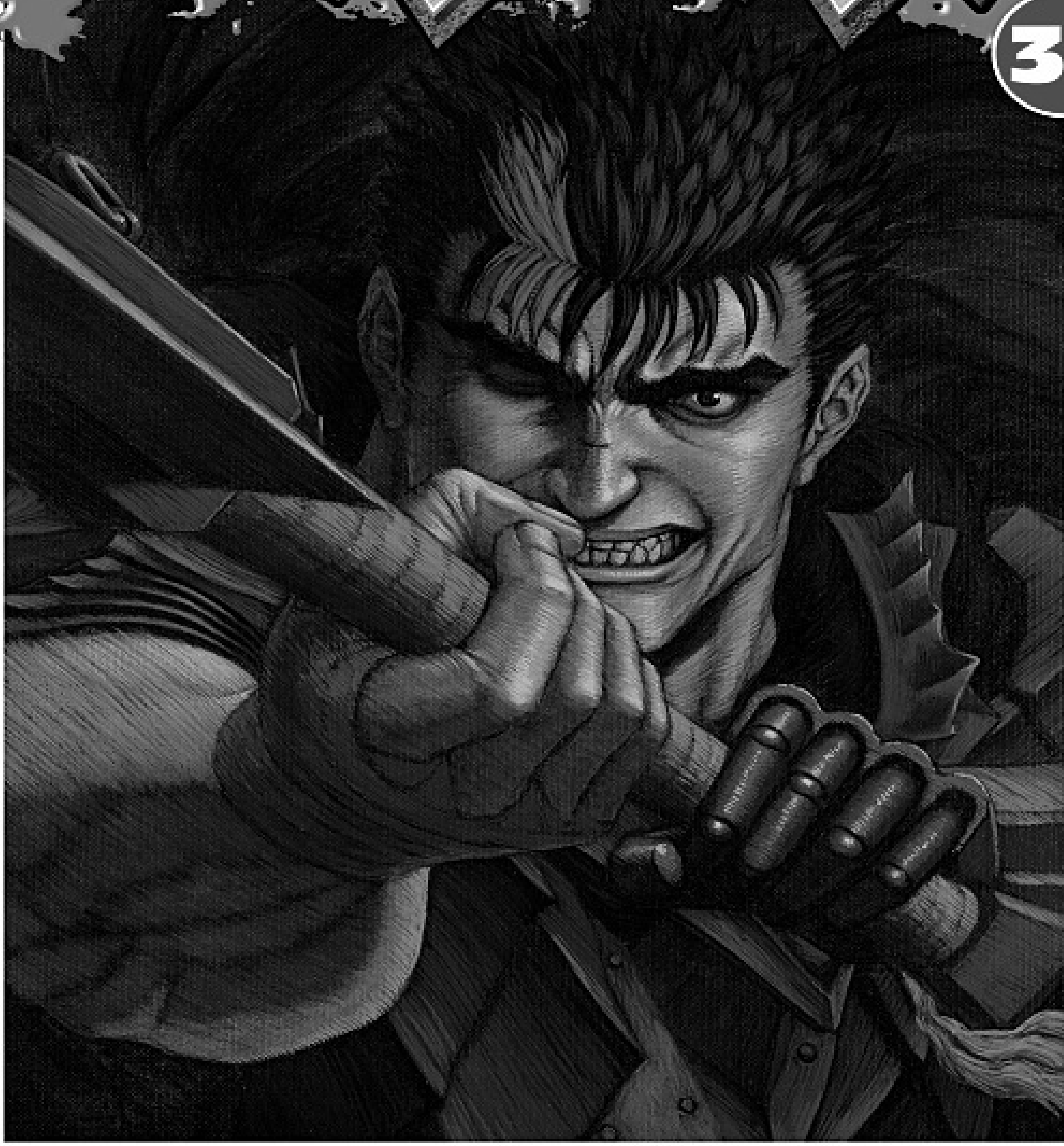
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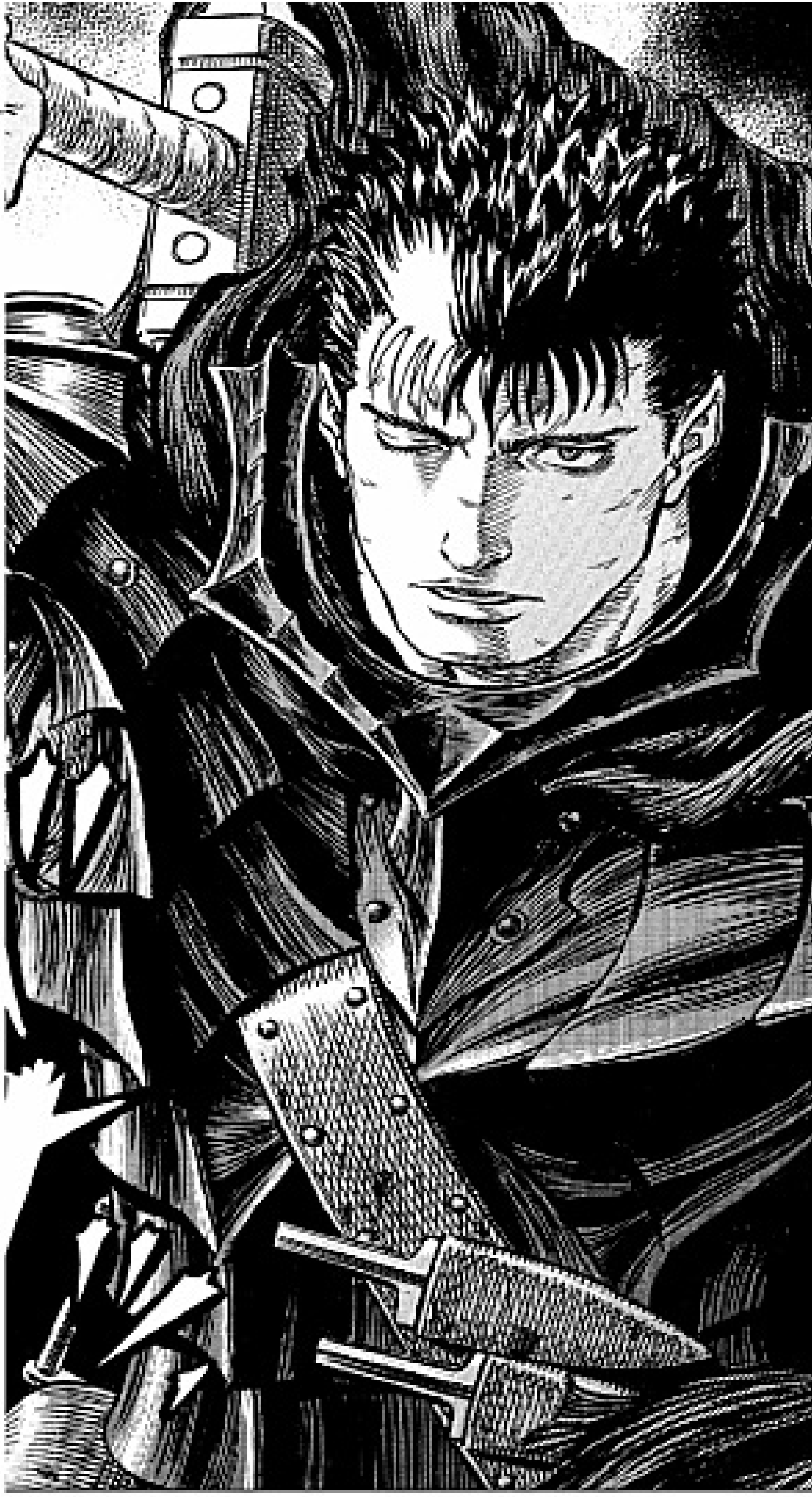
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ガッツ *Guts*

The main character of the story, the Black Swordsman. He exists in the interstice, wears the Berserker armor, and his soul is constantly torn between protecting Casca and challenging Griffith. That struggle is nothing short of sublime.



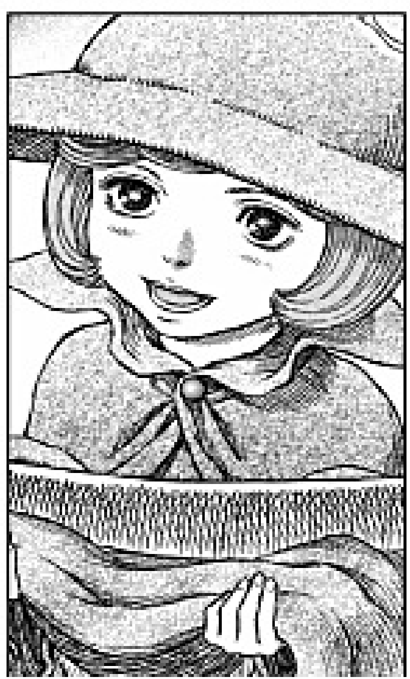
キャスカ *Casca*

Former unit commander of the Band of the Hawk; mentally regressed from her experience in the Eclipse. She now neither speaks nor conveys any feelings. Her brand, which reacts to evil, is thinly shielded by Flora's talisman.



パック *Puck*

An elf who's long been with Guts on his journeys. His dust has the power to heal wounds. He confirmed that he's a wind spirit, and he also changes into Chestnut Puck.



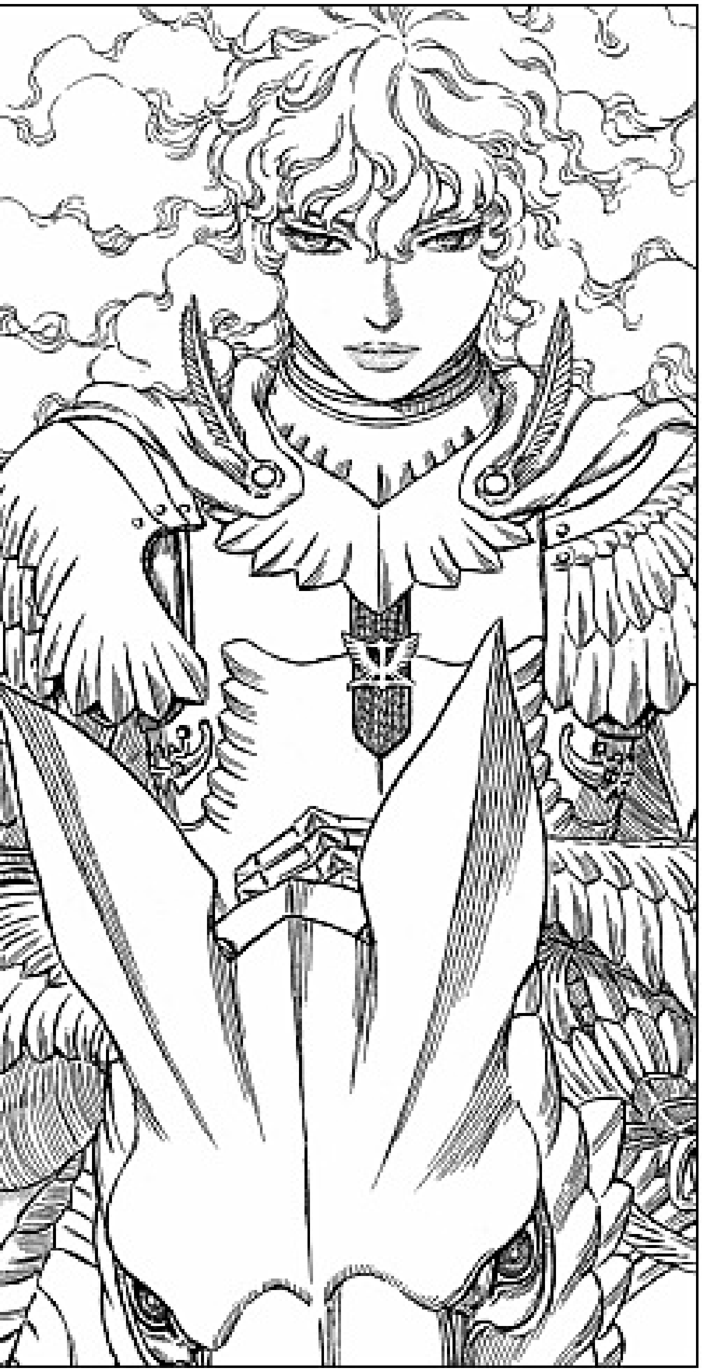
シールケ *Schierke*

Disciple of Flora, witch of the Spirit Tree Mansion. She supports Guts and the others through her use of magic; however, among her spells are some beyond her mastery, which occasionally place her in great peril as she tries to aid her allies. She has a stilted side to her personality.



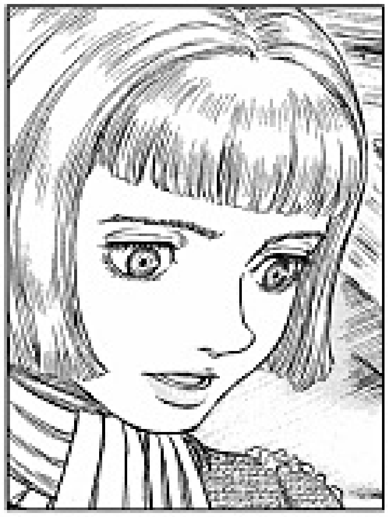
イシドロ *Isidro*

Dreams of being the "ultimate swordsman," but his actual talent, not up to snuff, repeatedly endangers him. Nevertheless, the boy endeavors toward his dream. He is currently equipped with a fetish granted the protection of fire elementals.



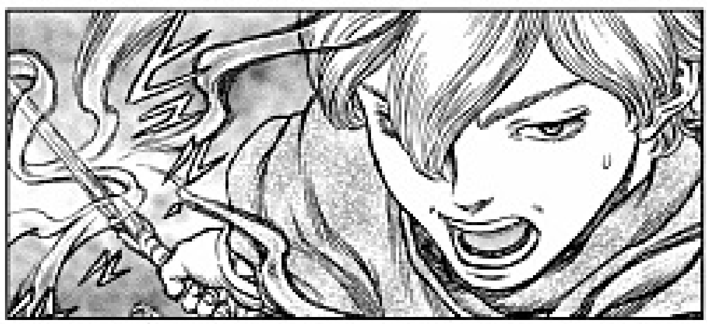
グリフィス *Griffith*

Through the eclipse of the Crimson Behelit, he was reborn as Femto of the Godhand. Later he was incarnated in the imitation Eclipse catalyzed by the egg-shaped apostle, thus returning to the physical world, in which he became the "absolute," without equal. He leads the reborn Band of the Hawk.



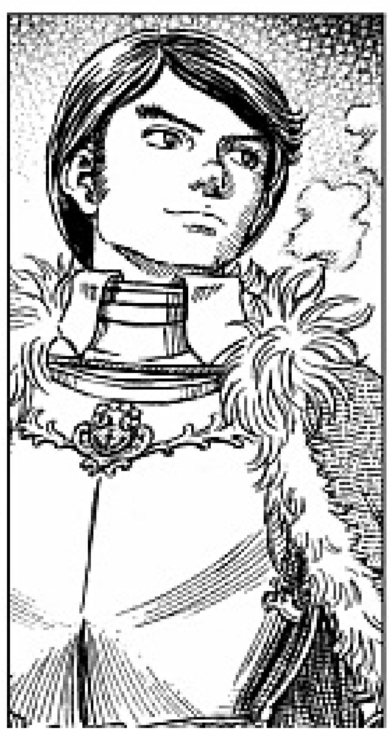
ファルネーゼ *Farnese*

Former commander of the Holy See's Holy Iron Chain Knights, and daughter of the Vandimion family, one of influential status and wealth in the religious sphere. She seeks to learn from Guts her own means of survival, and about the reality of the world.



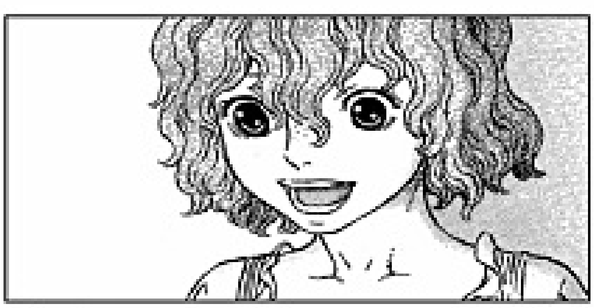
セルピコ *Serpico*

Attendant of Farnese, and actually her brother. However, Farnese is not aware of the blood relationship. He is skilled in fighting, and currently clad in a fetish granted the protection of wind elementals.



ロデリック *Roderick*

Captain of the naval vessel *Seahorse* and third in line to the royal throne of lith, a maritime power within the domain of the Holy See. He is a friend of Farnese's brother and has become her fiancé. He is currently taking Guts and the others to Skellig Island, where the Elfhelm is located.



イスマ *Isma*

A girl fisherman who lives on the island of the sea god. Treated like an outcast by the village there, she yearns for the outside world and displays a keen interest in stories told by Isidro and Schierke.



Guts and crew were forced to dock at an island where legends of a sea god and merrows persist, but it was a monstrous place where the inhabitants had been transformed into tentacles by the sea god. The god was overwhelmingly powerful, having even turned a pirate ship into a tentacle, and Guts had no choice but to once again don the Berserker armor.

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FULL MOON, PART 1



ゴゴゴゴゴ
*DOOOOM
WOW!! WOULD YA LOOK AT THAT!!
YOU WERE RIGHT, ISIDRO!
MONSTERS REALLY DO...
...EXIST!
HEH!
THE SHOCK WEARS OFF EVENTUALLY.
I WONDER IF THE VILLAGERS ARE OKAY...
YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT THEM?
AREN'T THEY A BUNCH OF CREEPS?
WELL, YEAH, THEY ARE.
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN I'VE EVER WANTED THEM DEAD...
OH.


IT'S *ISMA*.
ISMA THE OUTCAST.
ISMA THE MERROW GIRL.
NO!! DON'T GO NEAR THOSE...!!
THEY'RE BRATS FROM THE VILLAGE.
WE'VE HAD OUR SHARE OF SCUFFLES ...!
HEY, ARE YOU GUYS OKAY ?!
*JUMP
*ZHHHM
COME.
JOIN US.


WE'LL MAKE YOU ONE OF US...
*EEEEK
*LEAP
*SHOP
*VSSHT



*FWFF
*HYNN
*HYNN
LOOK AT THOSE THINGS COOK!
IT'S BECAUSE TONIGHT'S A FULL MOON.
*BROARRR
WH-WHAT ARE THOSE ...?!
*SHLFF
*SHLFF



I FEAR THE VILLAGERS ARE ALL...
ASIDE FROM OUR COMPANIONS.
...I PERCEIVE NO HUMAN PRESENCES IN THAT VILLAGE.
UNFORTUNATELY...
THEY'RE WHAT LITTLE IS LEFT OF ANYONE CONSUMED BY THOSE BEASTS...
WELL, THEN WHY WAS ISMA THE ONLY ONE SPARED?
OPPOSITE SIDE OR NOT, SHE'S STILL ON THE SAME ISLAND.
THE POWER OF THE AMULETS.
I CANNOT EXPLAIN IT IN DETAIL, BUT I DID SENSE A STRONG POWER COMING FROM THE AMULETS SURROUNDING YOUR HOME.
THAT IS NO DOUBT WHAT'S SHIELDED YOU FROM EVIL ALL THIS TIME.
......
YEAH...
BUT, STILL.
THIS IS SO...
I DIDN'T LIKE THEM...
IN FACT, I HATED THEM. THERE'VE BEEN TIMES WHEN I WISHED THEY WERE ALL GONE...
BUT NOW WHAT?
I TRULY...
...AM ALL ALONE NOW.



ISMA, YOU WAIT HERE. I'M GONNA GO HELP MY GUYS REAL QUICK.
I'M COMING, TOO ...!!
IT'S TOO DANGEROUS FOR REGULAR FOLKS!
... ...
...YOU'RE BETTER OFF NOT WATCHIN' THE PEOPLE YOU KNEW GETTIN' HACKED UP.
....
EVEN IF THEY *HAVE* TURNED INTO MONSTERS...
... ...
ISIDRO...
YOU SHOULD THINK TWICE.
*PBBT
AT THIS POINT, YOU'D ONLY GET IN THE WAY DOWN THERE.
*PBBT
*WHAP
*WHAP
GEE, THANKS!
I WAS BEING NIHILISTIC, AND YOU RUINED IT?!


GUTS HAS GONE BERSERK, AND HE'S FIGHTING THOSE MONSTROUS BEASTS BY HIMSELF RIGHT NOW.
APPROACHING WITHOUT CAUTION WOULD BE DANGEROUS.
YOU MEAN WHEN HE FLIPS OUT?
?
BUT DIDN'T HE FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET A HANDLE ON THAT AT THE VRITANNIS HARBOR BATTLE?
GUTS WAS ABLE TO MAINTAIN HIS AWARENESS THAT TIME BECAUSE I HAPPENED TO BE ON HIS BACK...
...AND WAS DRAWN INTO THE ARMOR WITH HIM.
WELL...
WHAT DO WE DO?
......
I WILL POSSESS HIM...
USING MY LUMINOUS BODY...
...AND TRY TO CALL OUT TO HIS CONSCIOUSNESS.
YOU'RE GONNA DO THAT AGAIN?
PLEASE GUARD MY BODY FOR THE TIME BEING.
AND NO GRAFFITI.
YEAH, YEAH. FINE.
SAY WHAT, NOW?
OUTTA-BODY EXPERIENCE.




*CHASHIII
AUGH ...!
SCHIERKE ?!
*WHUMP
WHAT'S WRONG ?!
THE ARMOR IS EVEN MORE POWERFUL THAN BEFORE.
IT'S EMITTING TOO STRONG AN OD...!!
I CAN'T GET THROUGH...
...TO GUTS.





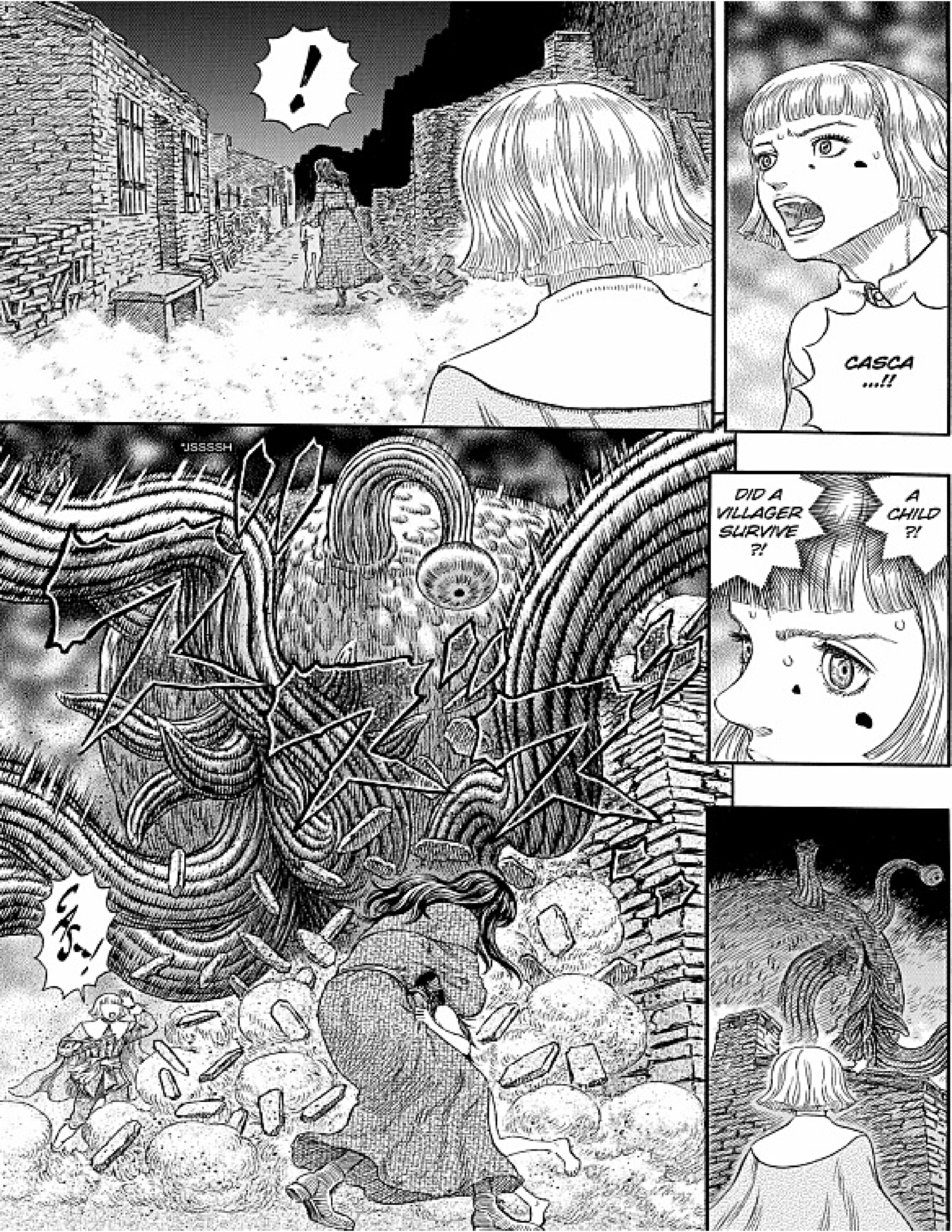
THAT'S NASTY ...
HE'S FIGHTING EVEN MORE FIERCELY THAN LAST TIME. HE REALLY IS LIKE A BEAST!
GUTS ...
SHRRRR
B-BUT WE'VE SENT SO MANY OF THE BRETHREN AFTER HIM...!
WHAT IS HE...?! WHAT IS THAT GUY?!
THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE OUR FEAST, BUT HE'S MAKING A BLOODBATH OF US!
WHAT DO WE DO!?!
HOW SHOULD I KNOW?!


*SHLACH
*GROLLL



LADY FAR--!!
CASCA?!
TMK
*DOOOOSH
LADY FARNESE!! CASCA!!
UH OH...!


*ZHLFF
*VWASS
*SWTT
*CLACK
*CLACK
*PUP


!
CASCA ...!!
*JSSSSH
DID A VILLAGER SURVIVE ?!
A CHILD ?!
CAS--!

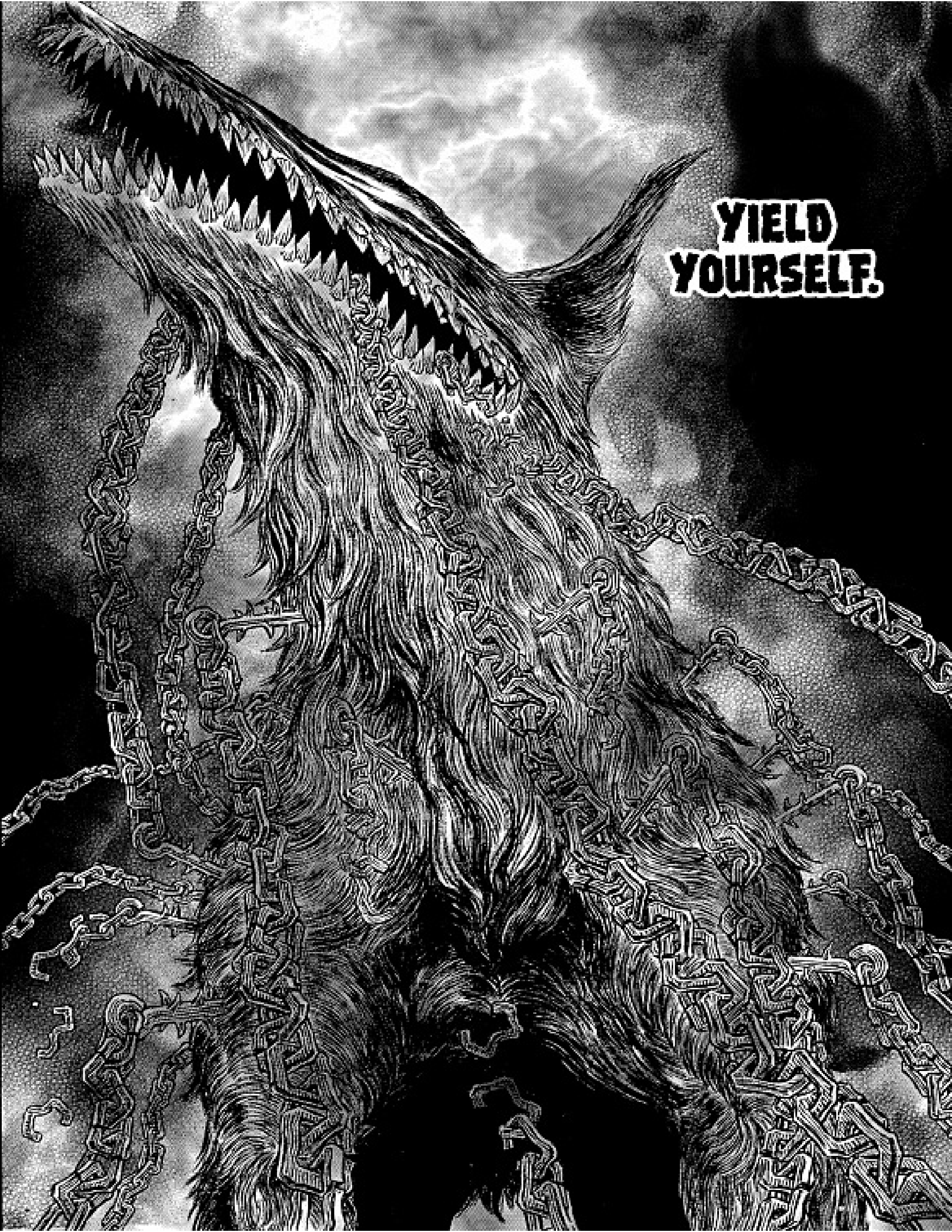

SHONK!!


*DOOOOSH
...
...
...
GU--
ゴク
*FX: GULP
...DID HE PROTECT CASCA ...?
GUTS ...
DON'T APPROACH HIM!!
DOES THAT MEAN HE'S IN HIS RIGHT MIND...?



HEYA! STILL ALIVE, HUH?
W-WILD! HE SLICED UP THAT MONSTER IN NO TIME FLAT!
MIS-TRESS!
*FWOOSH
*CLATA
THAT GUY JUST FLEW...!
HEY, YOU OKAY?!
SER-PICO.
DON'T GO NEAR HIM. HE HAS NOT YET RETURNED.


WHAT DO WE DO?!
NOW WHAT?!
*RORLLL
VIO-LENCE.
PEACE.
ENE-MY.
NO.
FEAR.
MAD-NESS.
SAN-ITY.
SLAY.
PRO-TECT.
KILL.
NO.
*CHINK
*CHINK
SUR...
...RENDER...


YIELD YOURSELF.


LOOK.
FOCUS YOUR GAZE HERE.
LOOK.




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FULL MOON, PART 2


...THAT'S RIGHT.


YOU...
...KNOW THIS.
YOU MUSTN'T LOSE IT.
YOU MUSTN'T ...
...DES-TROY IT.
ROHHHHR


*CHFF
*FX: BACHING BACHING
*FX: CLACK CLACK
*KRRRRN
*CHING
*SHNK
GUTS ...?!
WH-WHAT'S HAPPENIN' TO HIM?!
*KRNCH


HE'S RESISTING THE ARMOR'S OD...!
NOW'S MY CHANCE...
*FX: GRRRR
*FX: CLENCH
MIS-TRESS!!
WHAT'S SHE THINKING?!
SCHI-ERKE!
?!
*DASH
*GRAB


*REAR
*RAHHRR
*PITCH


*KRONK


*CHFF
*THUD
MIS-TRESS ...!!
YOU IDIOT!
THAT WAS TOO DANGEROUS!!
OWWW...
STUPID SCHIERKE!
NICE CHOKE SLEEPER HOLD.
YOU MIGHT'VE GOTTEN CUT IN HALF!
HIS REFLEXES ARE WAY BEYOND YOURS!
I'LL SECOND THAT.
NEVER DO ANYTHING THAT CRAZY AGAIN.
YOU OF ALL PEOPLE HAVE NO RIGHT TO TALK, GUTS.
*WHAP


I OWE YOU ONE.
YOU SAVED...
...ME, THOUGH.
WELL...
IT WAS THE ONLY THING FOR ME TO DO, AS A MAGIC USER.
YOU OWE HER A LOT MORE THAN JUST ONE!
GO ON, SAY YOU'LL TAKE CARE OF HER THE REST OF--
I'M NOT SURE WHAT HAPPENED, BUT IT WAS COOL! YOU'RE SO BRAVE, SCHIERKE!
...
YOU LOST EVERY SINGLE CHANCE TO LOOK GOOD.
THE MONSTER SITUATION LOOKS MOSTLY RESOLVED.
I DON'T SEE THAT PIRATE SHIP AROUND. IT SURE MAKES A QUICK GETAWAY, FOR A "SLUG."
AND I'M AGAIN AMAZED AT HOW SUPER-HUMAN HE IS.
IT'S HARD TO TELL WHICH SIDE'S MORE MON-STROUS.
HE'S MORE POWERFUL BY HIMSELF THAN AN ENTIRE WARSHIP.
...


STILL, WHY DO YOU SUPPOSE CASCA WENT RUNNING OFF LIKE THAT?
GOOD QUES-TION...
AU
?
!
?




...YOU.
SAY WHA?! WE SAW HIM THAT TIME AT THE SHORE...!!
WH-WHAT'RE YOU DOIN' HERE?!
YOU KNOW HIM?
YES...
WE MET HIM ON OUR JOURNEY, BEFORE WE REACHED VRITANNIS...
IS THIS A COINCI-DENCE...?
HE SURE IS PRETTY.
...BUT WHY'S HE NAKED?
NUDITY'S BEST FOR YOUR HEALTH!
NUDE


...ALTHOUGH I CAN HARDLY SENSE THE MYSTERIOUS OD AND HOSTILITY FROM THAT TIME...
AND HOW COULD I FAIL TO NOTICE HE WAS HERE UNTIL JUST NOW...?
NIGHTS WITH FULL MOONS HAVE VERY DEEP MAGICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND ARE FULL OF MAGICAL POWER. HE'S APPEARED NOW DURING TWO OF THEM...
THERE WAS A FULL MOON THE LAST TIME HE APPEARED, TOO.
......
*CLUTCH
DID YOU...
...DO THAT?
?



I MADE FRIENDS WITH ISIDRO AND SCHIERKE A LITTLE WHILE AGO.
I-I'M ISMA.
I LIVE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ISLAND...
ARE YOU FROM THIS ISLAND, THEN?
I CAN TELL YOU *I'VE* NEVER SEEN HIM...
*CLATA
WHO IS THIS GIRL?
UM...
HERE, PUT THIS ON.
THE SEA BREEZE'LL CHILL YOU TO THE CORE.
*YANK
...BUT AS IT TURNS OUT...
...I'M THE...
...LAST PER-SONNN...
*EGHH
...ON DUH WHOLE ISLUN.
NIZE DA MEET YUUU.
*EGHH
HEY, CAPTAIN.
CAN SHE COME ONBOARD YOUR SHIP?
*WIPE
HM?
!
......
WHY'D'JA MAKE HER SAY THAT?!
DAMN IT, SERP!
HUH?! IT'S *MY* FAULT?

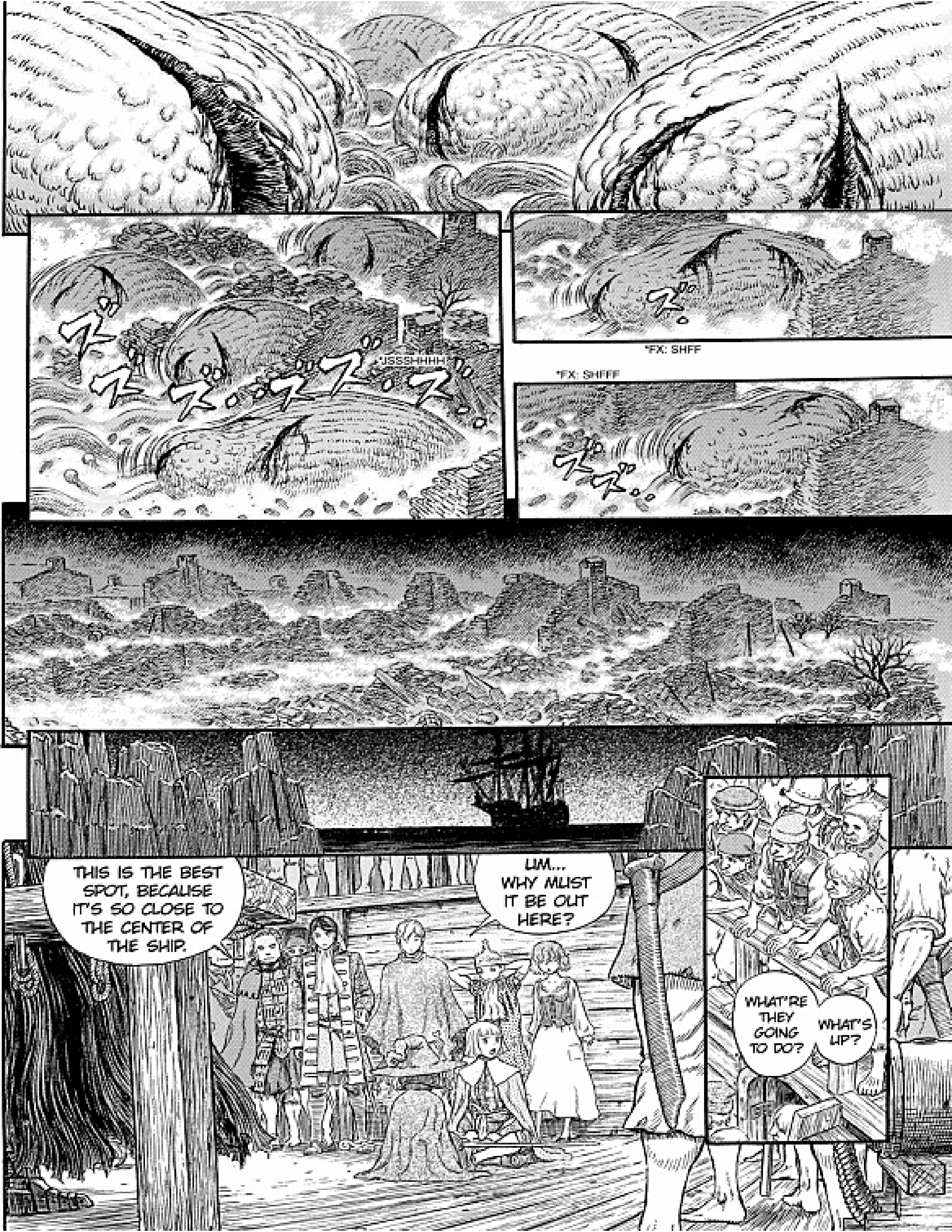


A GENEROUS CAPTAIN'S A GOOD CAPTAIN!
*FWUP
WELL, I DON'T MIND. YOUR GUEST IS MY GUEST, AT THIS POINT.
GOOD NEWS, HUH, ISMA!
IT'S COOL, RIGHT?!
SHE'S JUST ONE MORE PERSON! OR, WHAT?! YOU'RE GONNA LEAVE A KID HERE ALONE IN THIS MONSTER NEST?! IS THAT HOW HEARTLESS THE 11TH NAVY IS?! YOU THE SAME AS THOSE PIRATES?!
*WHAP
WE CAN FIGURE OUT LATER WHATEVER'S NEXT.
YOU BETTER COME WITH US NOW.
A-ANYWAY...
YOU DON'T WANT TO?
WHAT?
?
...THE ISLAND?
LEAVE...
HUH?! NO, NO! IT'S NOT THAT! I'M JUST SURPRISED!
AWE-SOME! IT'S AN ADVEN-TURE!
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO RIDE ON A BIG SHIP LIKE THAT!


THERE'S STILL SOMETHING WE NEED TO DO.
ALRIGHT, WE'LL JUST FINISH TEMPORARY REPAIRS AND GET THE HELL AWAY FROM THIS PLACE.
R-RIGHT. AHH, BACK TO THE SWAYING BED. GUESS IT'S BETTER THAN SLEEPING FOREVER HERE.
NOT QUITE SO FAST.
...THAT'S TRUE.
WE'LL BE HELPLESS IF THEY ATTACK US AT SEA, AND WE CAN'T AFFORD TO WAIT FOR THE MORNING SUN.
WHAT'RE YOU SAYING?! IF WE DON'T HURRY, MORE MONSTERS WILL COME...!!
THERE'S NO GUARANTEE YOU KILLED THEM ALL HERE!
TRUE ENOUGH.
WE'LL SETTLE THINGS...
...HERE AT THE ISLAND.


THAT'S THE ONE!
THAT CAVE?!
!
YES, WE DO! I KNOW WHERE IT IS!
BUT HOW?! WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THEIR NEST IS...
I HAVE A PLAN TO DEAL WITH THAT.
HMMM ...
B-BUT IF WE STAY HERE, THE SHIP WILL STILL BE ATTACKED EVENTUALLY...!
...
?
...WE ALSO NEED TO PREPARE BEFORE YOU MARCH OFF INTO ENEMY TERRI-TORY, GUTS.
COULD WE ALL GO BACK TO THE SHIP FOR NOW?
...SPELL-CASTER.
YOU GOT IT...


*STARE
...
SORRY, BETCHI. DID JA MISS ME?
DIDN'T IT GET SMASHED LIKE AN EGG?
SLEEPING IN A STABLE BED SURE WAS A BRIEF DREAM. NOW WE'LL SPEND THE NIGHT IN FEAR OF A MONSTER ATTACK.
YOU HAVE TO GET USED TO IT, EVENTUALLY.
I WONDER HOW MANY FISH YOU CAN LOAD INTO A SHIP THAT HUGE.
TRY AND FIND OUT. IT'S FULL OF SMELLY GUYS NOW, ANYWAY.
WELL, I BEG YOUR PARDON.



*JSSSHHHH
*FX: SHFF
*FX: SHFFF
THIS IS THE BEST SPOT, BECAUSE IT'S SO CLOSE TO THE CENTER OF THE SHIP.
UM... WHY MUST IT BE OUT HERE?
WHAT'S UP?
WHAT'RE THEY GOING TO DO?


WHAT'RE THEY GOING TO DO?
THEY'RE GONNA CAST A SPELL TO PROTECT THE SHIP.
DOES THAT MEAN WE'LL GET TO SEE SCHIERKE'S MAGIC?!
NO...
NOT QUITE...
I WILL CAST THE FORMATION OF THE FOUR ?!
LADY FARNESE...
AGAIN?!
HOW CAN A VANDIMION BE SOME KIND OF WITCH...?!
BUT IT'S SO SUDDEN...!! I CANNOT, MISTRESS !!
I'VE NEVER CAST A SINGLE--!!
CALM DOWN.
I NOW MUST ...
...BECOME LUMINOUS AND GO WITH GUTS TO MEET THE ENEMY.


IF THE ENEMY COMES AND ATTACKS DURING THAT TIME, YOU, AS A MAGE, MUST BE THIS SHIP'S KEY DEFENSE.
KEY DEFENSE ...?
MAGE...?
ME...?
....
FOCUS, AND HAVE FAITH IN YOUR TRAINING. I WILL, OF COURSE, GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE RITUAL.
YOU'LL HAVE NO TROUBLE NOW THAT YOU'VE HARNESSED YOUR LUMINOUS BODY.
YOU'LL BE OKAY. THE FORMATION OF THE FOUR IS POWERFUL, BUT IT'S ONE OF THE MOST BASIC SPELLS. IT'S AN IDEAL CHOICE FOR YOUR FIRST TIME.


ALRIGHT.
I HOPE IT WORKS WELL.
OKAY ...
...IVA-LERA.
YOU GOT IT-IT. ♡
EVEN WITH THOSE CARDS UP, WON'T THE DIRECTIONS CHANGE IF THE SHIP MOVES?
CAN I WATCH? I'LL KEEP QUIET.
WE ALL HAVE TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO DISTRACT HER.
HEY! THIS AIN'T SOME SHOW!!
I GUESS WE DON'T HAVE MUCH CHOICE.
ONCE THE SPELL IS FULLY IN EFFECT, THE CASTER NEED ONLY MAINTAIN HER SUBCONSCIOUS BEARINGS.


...THE
KEY
DEFENSE.


NOW, AS ALWAYS ...
...WE SYN-CHRONIZE OUR RHY-THMS.
I AM...
I AM...
...A MAGE.

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BEASTMAN


OH BLESSED KING OF THE EAST...
IT'S BIG...
...WHOSE SPIRIT RISES OVER THE MOUNTAINS AS A ZEPHYR...
...AND WHOSE GOLDEN RAIMENT GLEAMS LIKE THE SUN.
I'VE NEVER BEFORE FELT...
OH BLESSED KING OF THE WEST...
...WHOSE NAME TREMBLES EVEN THE WATER SPIRITS WHO CAPER BENEATH THE WAVES.
...SUCH AN ENORMOUS POWER.
SUCH ENORMOUS EMOTION.
OH BLESSED KING OF THE SOUTH...
...BRILLIANCE GREATER THAN EVERLASTING FLAME IS THY MAJESTY.
SUCH AN ENORMOUS EXISTENCE.
I FEEL.
OH BLESSED KING OF THE NORTH...
...IT IS FOR THY RULE THAT ALL...
...LIVING BEINGS OF THE EARTH REJOICE.
...HOW SMALL A THING I AM.

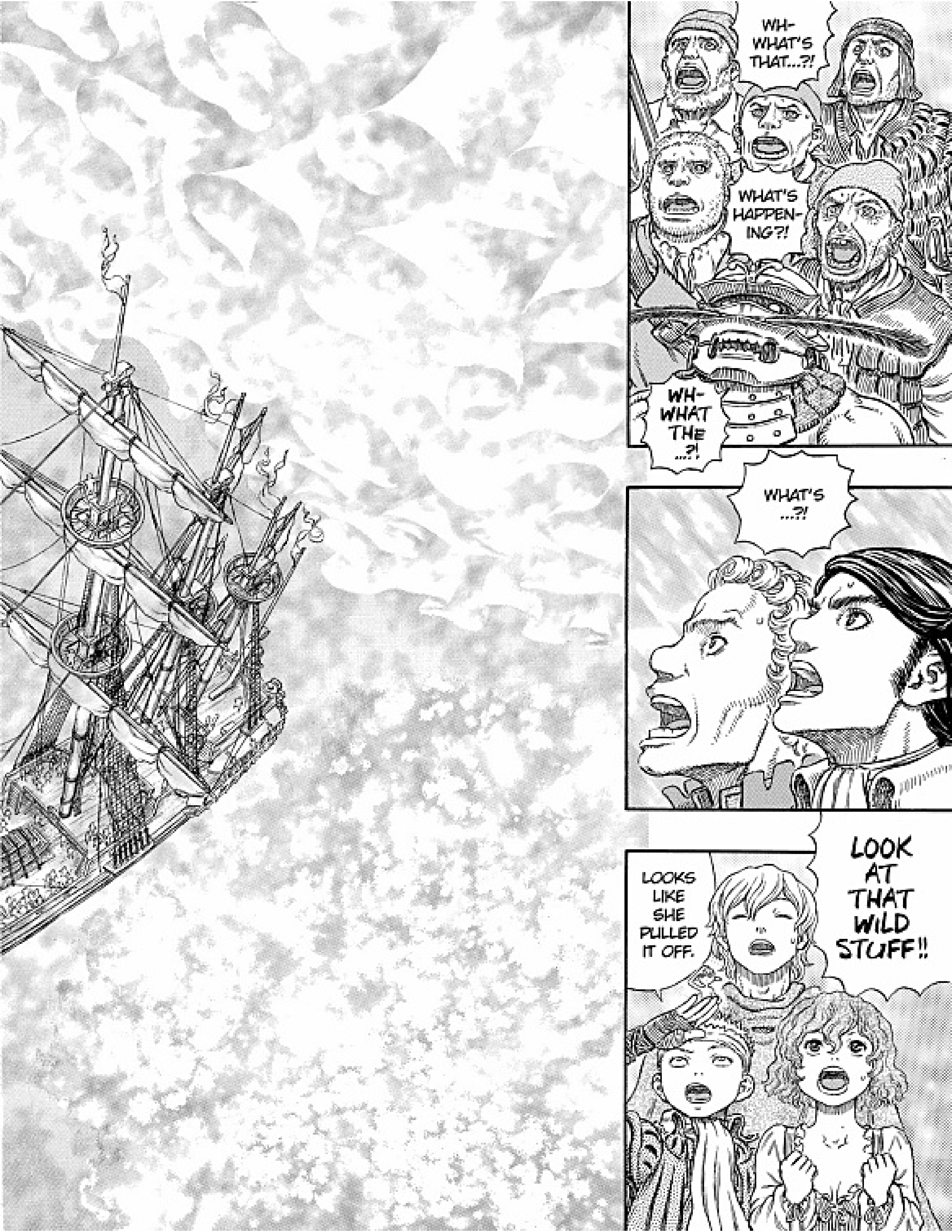


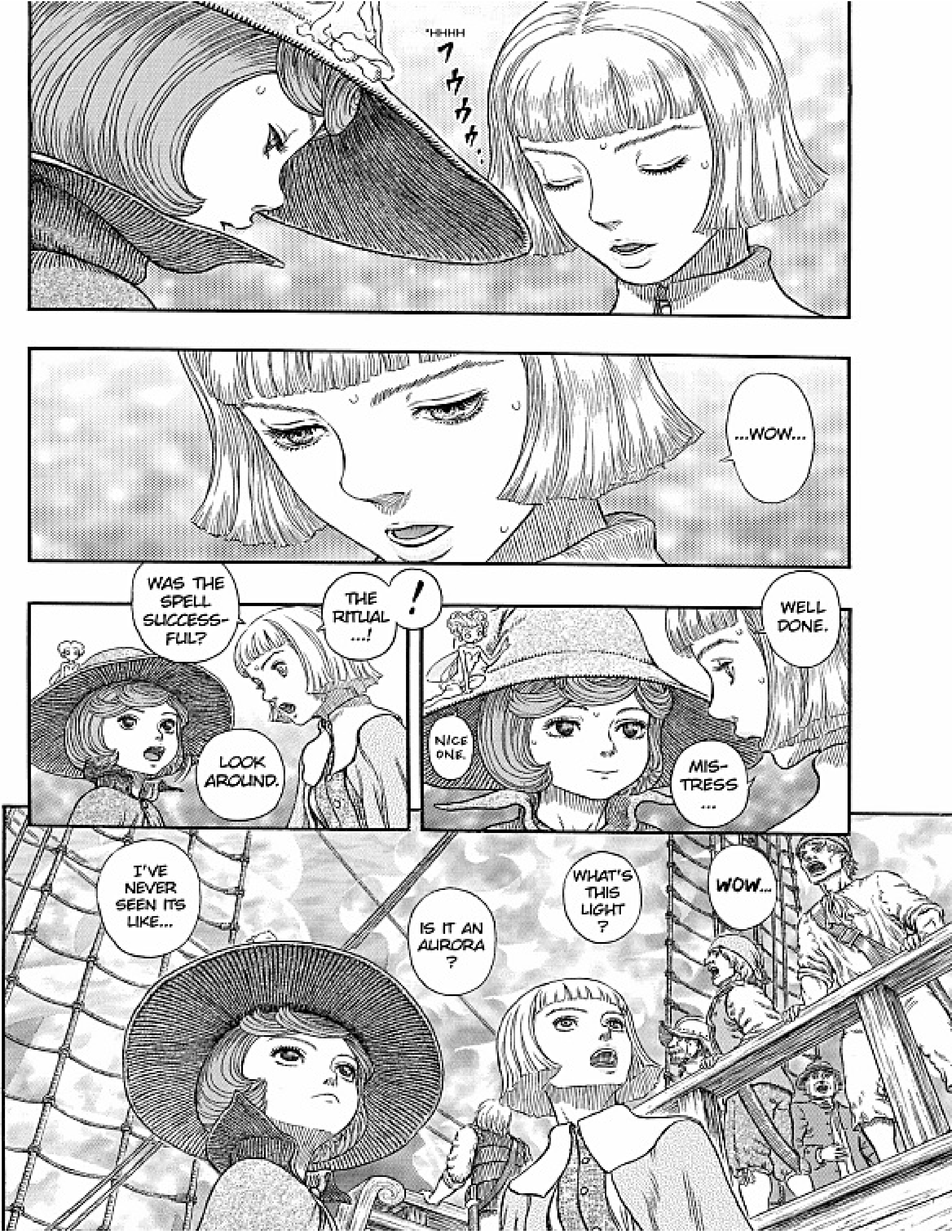
ATEGH.
VEH.
GEDULAH.
...THE THING IS OF WHICH I'M A PART.



I FEEL...
VEH.
GEPLAH.
...HOW ENORMOUS...
MARKTO.

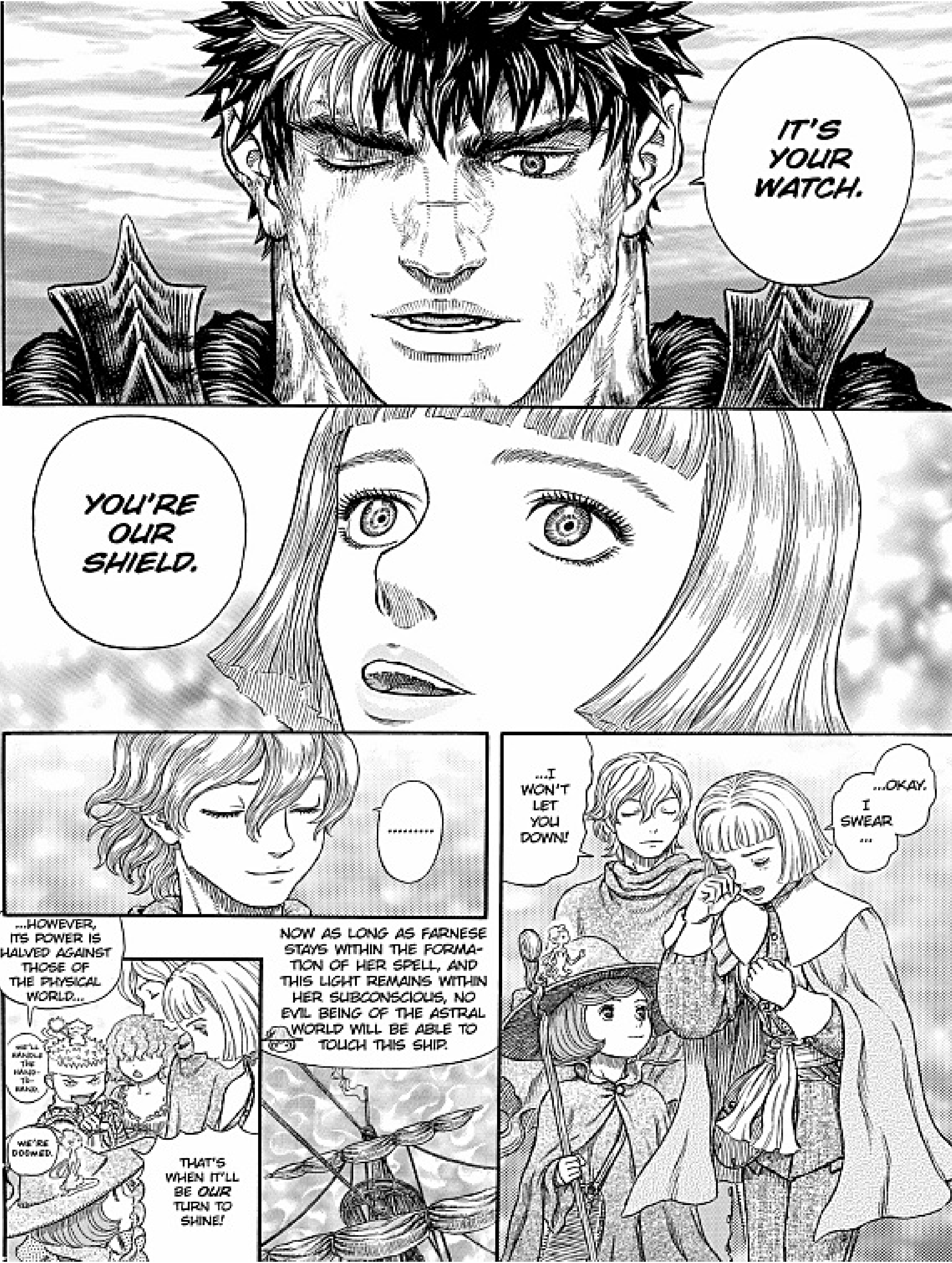



WH- WHAT'S THAT...?!
WHAT'S HAPPEN- ING?!
WH- WHAT THE ...?!
WHAT'S ...?!
LOOK AT THAT WILD STUFF!!
LOOKS LIKE SHE PULLED IT OFF.


*HHHH
...WOW...
THE RITUAL ...!
!
WAS THE SPELL SUCCESS-FUL?
LOOK AROUND.
WELL DONE.
MIS-TRESS ...
NICE ONE.
WOW...
WHAT'S THIS LIGHT ?
IS IT AN AURORA ?
I'VE NEVER SEEN ITS LIKE...



I...
...DID THIS?
NOW *THAT'S* SOME-THING!
I'VE SAILED ALL OVER THE WORLD, AND I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A THING!
UH... UM...
Y-YOU MEAN *YOU* DID THIS?
WE MIGHT MAKE MONEY WITH THIS AT CEREMONIES...
HOO-WAHHH...
IT'S DOZENS OF TIMES BRIGHTER THAN A FISHING LIGHT!
W--
WELL, SO WHAT? IT'S NOT LIKE YOU CAN EXPECT WOMEN AND CHILDREN TO SWING SWORDS AROUND!
YOUR PARTY RANK KEEPS GETTING LOWER AND LOWER...
...CONGRAT-ULATIONS, LADY FARNESE.
SER-PICO...
THAT WAS SPLENDID.
NOW YOU CAN TRULY COUNT YOURSELF AMONG THE RANKS OF THE MAGI.
THAT'S PRETTY GOOD, FOR YOUR FIRST TRY. BUT DON'T LET IT GO TO YOUR HEAD.
...
....


IT'S YOUR WATCH.
YOU'RE OUR SHIELD.
....
...I WON'T LET YOU DOWN!
...OKAY. I SWEAR ...
NOW AS LONG AS FARNESE STAYS WITHIN THE FORMATION OF HER SPELL, AND THIS LIGHT REMAINS WITHIN HER SUBCONSCIOUS, NO EVIL BEING OF THE ASTRAL WORLD WILL BE ABLE TO TOUCH THIS SHIP.
...HOWEVER, ITS POWER IS HALVED AGAINST THOSE OF THE PHYSICAL WORLD...
WE'RE DOOMED.
THAT'S WHEN IT'LL BE *OUR* TURN TO SHINE!


NOW THAT THE BASE IS SECURE...
...WE MIGHT AS WELL GET A MOVE ON.
MAN, I SURE DREW THE SHORT STICK-- GUARDING WOMEN AND CHILDREN!
I WANNA FIGHT WITH THAT SEA-GOD THING, TOO!
A GOOD SOLDIER KNOWS WHAT HE'S CAPABLE OF AND COMPLETES THE JOB SET BEFORE HIM.
YEAH, I KNOW!
ALRIGHT, THEN.
PLEASE TAKE CARE OF CASCA, THAT BOY, AND *MY BODY.*
DRAW ANYTHING ON HER, AND YOU TWO'LL BE SLEEPIN' WITH THE FISHES.
YES, YOU CAN COUNT ON US.
PLEASE BE CAREFUL.


IF POSSIBLE, I'D LIKE TO OPPOSE THIS FOE WITH MAGIC, BUT THE OD BLOWING OUT OF THAT CAVE IS POWERFUL.
I FEAR THE INTERIOR OF THE ISLAND IS TOTALLY UNDER THE SEA GOD'S CONTROL, AND THE SPIRITS' POWERS WOULD HARDLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
I'M AFRAID ...
...YOU MUST PUT...
...YOURSELF AT RISK ONCE AGAIN.
N-NO PROBLEM! HE'S TOUGH ENOUGH TO HANDLE GETTING ROASTED OR TUGGED AROUND A LITTLE!
...I'M SORRY TO ASK THIS OF YOU.
HM?
WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?
I'M COUNTING ON YOUR HELP TOO,
MISS GOOD LUCK CHARM.
YEAH, SEE?
I-I REALIZE THAT.
I WILL NOT LET YOU GO BERSERK SO LONG AS I POSSESS YOU! WE WILL RETURN ALIVE AND WELL, YOU'LL SEE!
REST AS-SURED!
*FX: FIDGET
SO...
COULD YOU SQUAT DOWN?
UM...
OH, RIGHT. SORRY.


PLEASE BEGIN.
I'M ALL TOO AWARE...
EVEN IF GUTS MANAGES TO RETAIN HIS CONSCIOUS-NESS...
...IT WON'T LESSEN THE BURDEN ON HIS BODY.
ドクン
*BATHUMP
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*FWOOSH


...BUT YOU CAN SUMMON IT AT THE DROP OF A FRIGGIN' HAT.
...DAMN. IT'S SUCH A PAIN TO RESTRAIN THIS THING...
...SNAPPING AT BAIT.
IT'S LIKE A STARVING BEAST...
*FX: ZHM ZHM ZHM
*VWASH
WH-WHAT IS IT THIS TIME?!
IS THIS MORE MAGIC?!
*FALL
SCHIERKE ?!
*DROP
WH-WHAT HAPPENED ?
HER SPIRIT CAME OUT.


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RRRRR
THE FLOW OF OD IS MORE INTENSE THAN BEFORE...
IT'S GROWN IN POWER ...!!
BUT...
...I WILL RESTRAIN IT!!



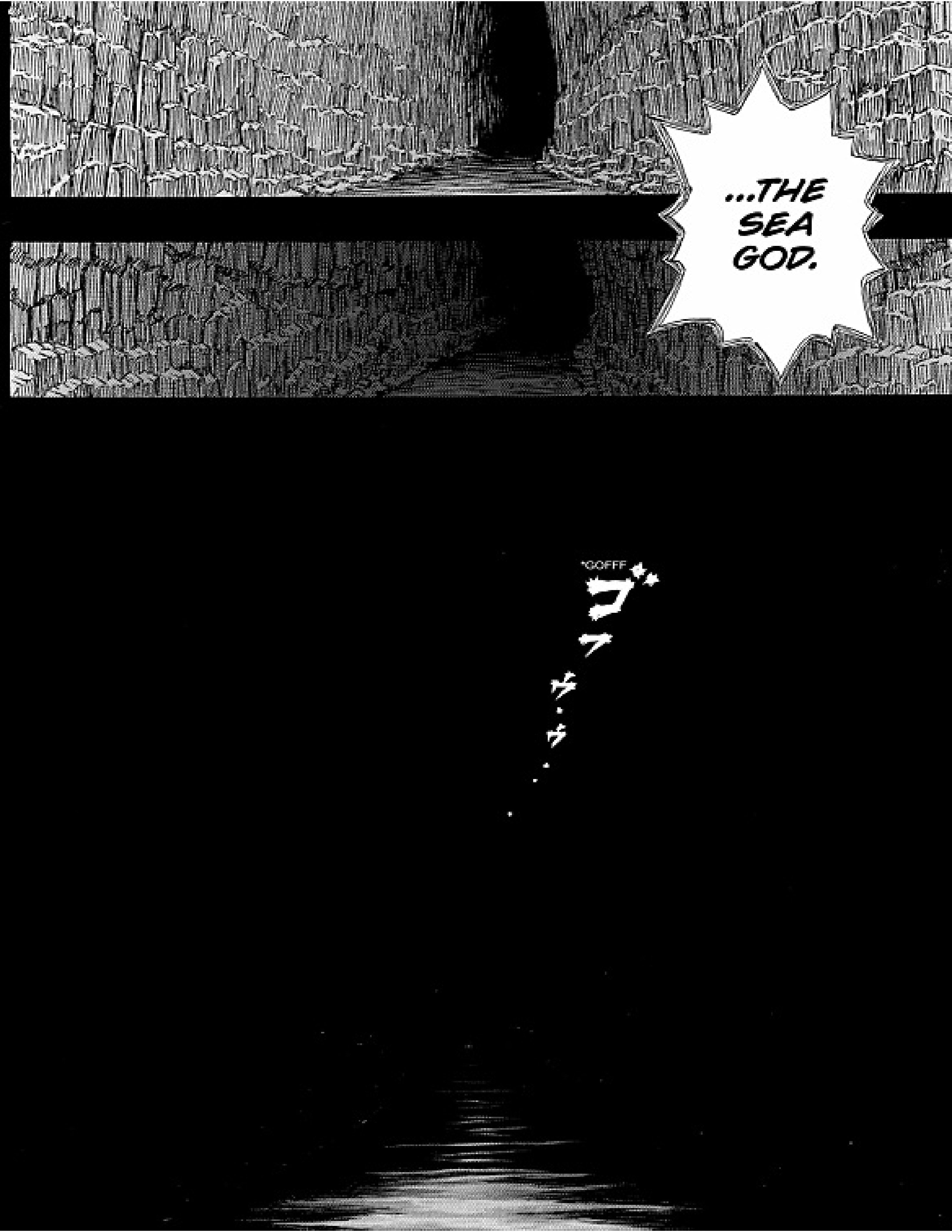

*SHNNN
*SHNK


...GUTS, DO YOU RECOGNIZE WHO WE ARE...?
....
SO THAT'S HOW YOU PUT ON AND TAKE OFF ARMOR. IT'S LIKE IT'S ALIVE OR SOMETHING.
DON'T GO NEAR, IT'S DANGEROUS!
DON'T WORRY.
HERE WE GO. DON'T GET PEELED OFF.
NO NEED TO WORRY!
I'M THINKING STRAIGHT.
AT LEAST, STRAIGHT ENOUGH TO KNOW WHO NOT TO BITE.


*LEAP
*TMP
*TMP
*TMP
*TMP
TH-THAT AIN'T HUMAN ...!
WE'D BETTER PREPARE FOR BATTLE, TOO.
HE'S LIKE A FLYING FISH! ARE ALL KNIGHTS LIKE HIM?!
KNIGHTS? THEY DON'T EVEN MAKE HUMANS LIKE HIM.
WELL, IT'S ALL THANKS TO SCHIERKE'S MAGIC.
*SHAAAA


WHAT'S UP, ISMA?
?
...
*SHAAAAA
*GOLP
I HEAR...
...THOSE VOICES AGAIN...
VOICES?


*CHFF
*BLEED
ONE THING'S FOR SURE...
*OHHHN
THIS IT?
LOOKS LIKE THIS IS ON A DIFFERENT LEVEL THAN THOSE SEA HARES.
THIS ISN'T LIKE IT WAS DURING THE DAY.
IT'S AWAKE NOW.


...THE SEA GOD.
*GOFFF
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BERSERK

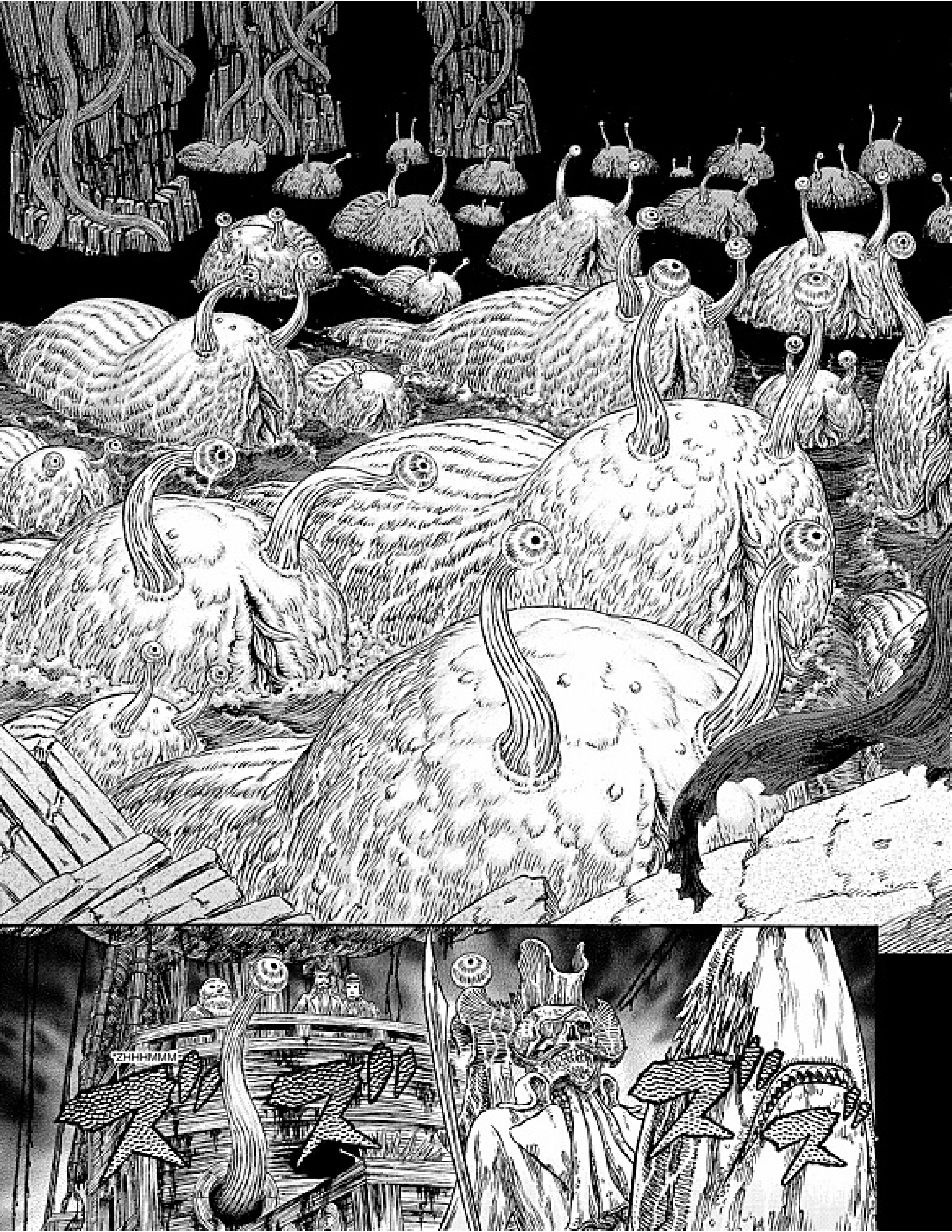
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SEA GOD, PART 1


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IT'S CONVENIENT, WHAT THIS DOES FOR MY NIGHT VISION.
STILL, THIS INTIMIDATING FEELING REMINDS ME...
...OF WHEN WE ENTERED THAT QLIPHOTH PLACE.
YEAH,
IT *DOES* LOOK LIKE WE'RE DESCENDING INTO THE DEPTHS OF HELL.
IF THIS WERE MERELY QLIPHOTH, I COULD BORROW THE POWER OF THE SPIRITS OF DARKNESS WHO DWELL THERE.
IN *THIS* DOMAIN, THOUGH, THE POWERS OF MOST SPIRITS ARE BLOCKED BY THE SEA GOD'S POWERFUL SPIRI-TUAL PRESSURE...


!
GUTS!
*CHFFF
*HOHHHN
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A STONE STATUE?
IT'S PROBABLY A SEAL...
IT COULD BE FROM AN ANCIENT CULTURE...
OR MAYBE...
IN ANY CASE, BEYOND THIS...
...WE'RE GOING TO KNOCK ON HELL'S FRONT DOOR.
*GCHAK

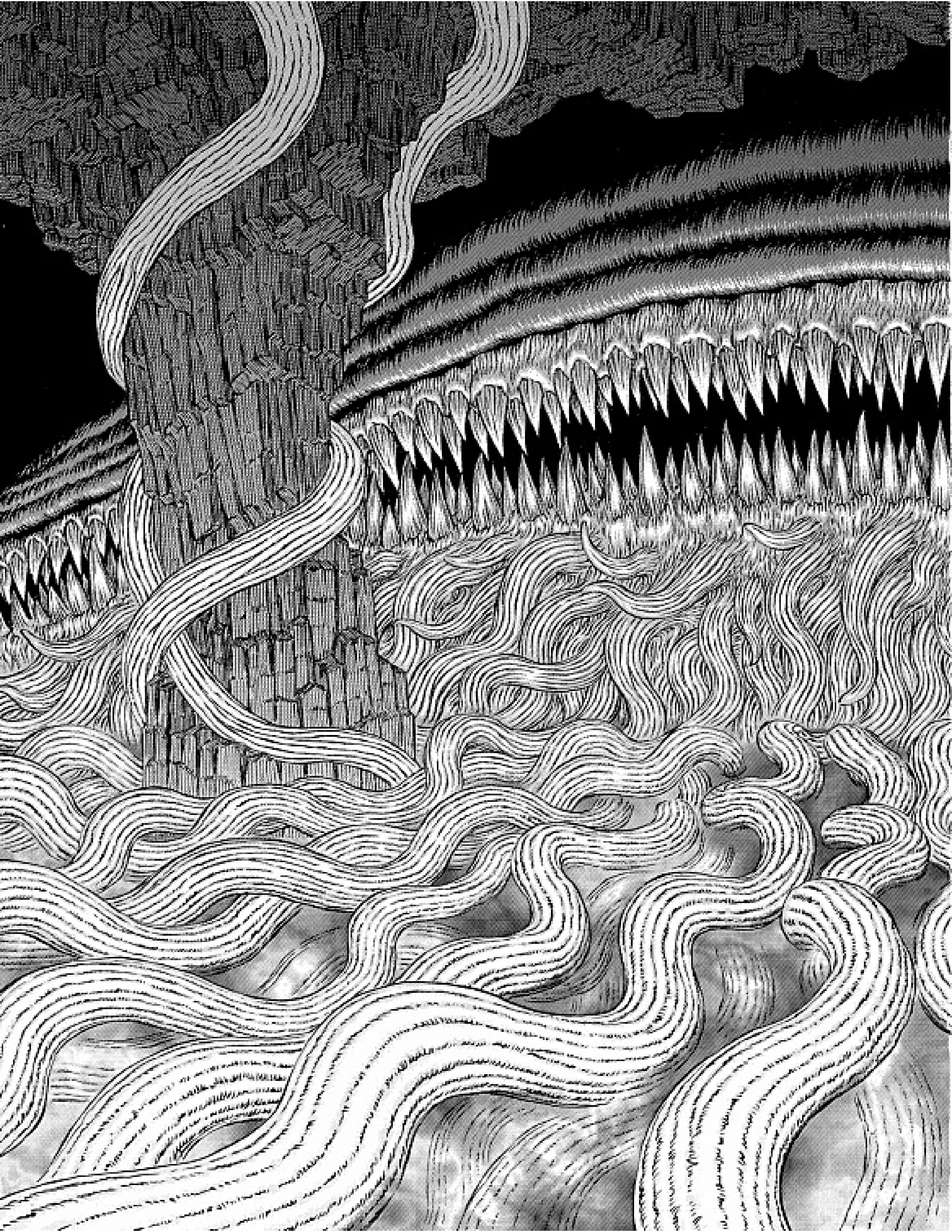

*ZHMMM
HERE THEY COME.
THIS IS...
...THE SEA GOD'S SHRINE.


ZHHHMMM


*SHAAAA

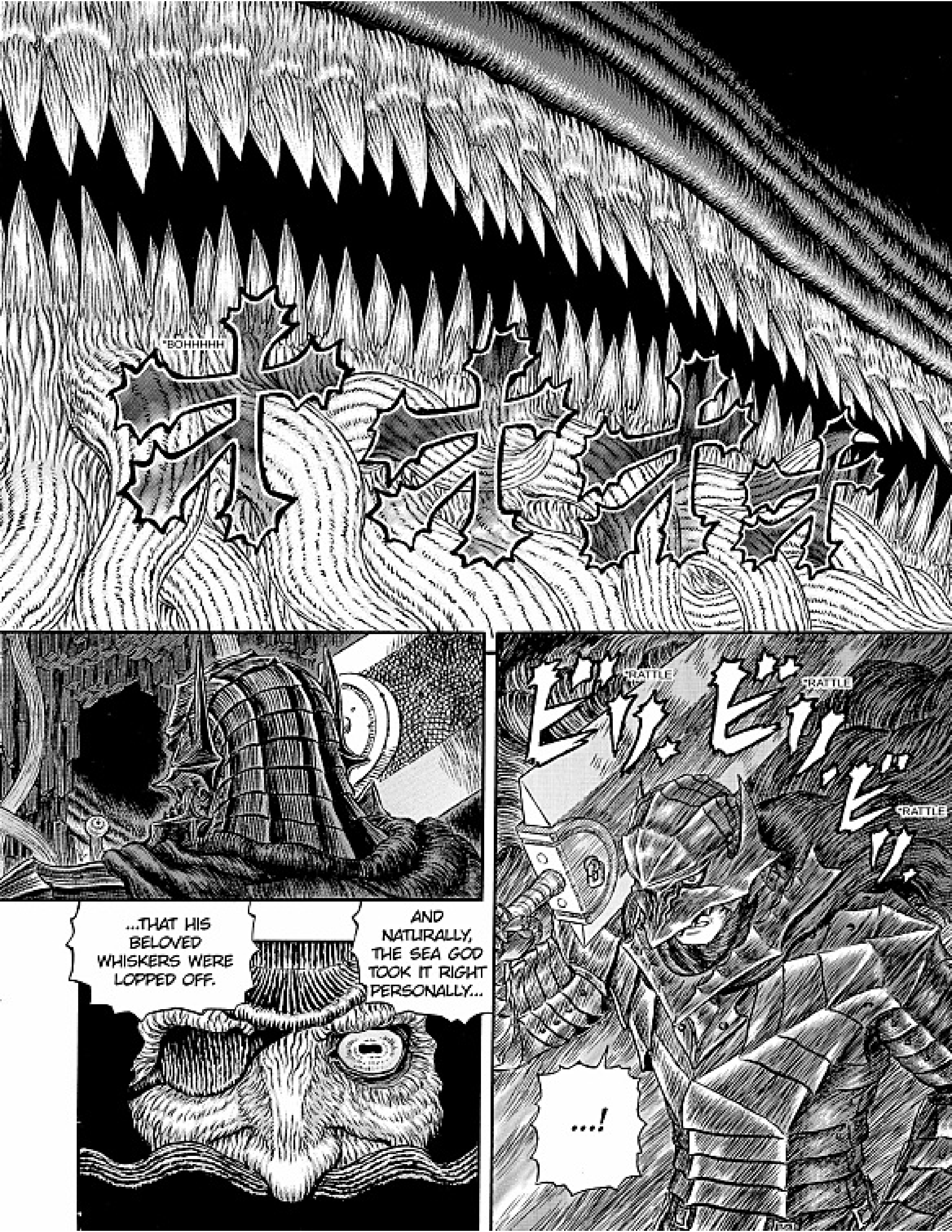

YE BE MOST WELCOME HERE IN ME ABODE!
COME INTO MY HOUSE!
TO FINALLY ARRIVE HERE! WELL DONE, BRAVE SIR!
YOU'VE OVER-COME MANY TRIALS AND TRIBULA-TIONS!
SOME-TIMES YOU JUST CAN'T GET BY IF YOU CAN'T LAUGH AT YOURSELF.
I KIND OF FEEL SORRY FOR HIM, NOW.
I'M GETTING RATHER TIRED OF THAT BONY CAPTAIN.
GREAT, YOU AGAIN.
OF ALL RODERICK'S GANG, YOU, BLACK SWORDSMAN. THERE TRULY BE ONLY ONE WORD FOR YOUR FIGHTING STYLE-- MARVELOUS! IT'S INHUMAN!
BUT TOO BAD FOR YOU. NO MATTER WHAT SUPER-HUMAN FEATS YOU'RE CAPABLE OF ALONE...
...FEAST YOUR EYES! WE'LL NEVER RUN OUT OF SOLDIERS! THERE'S NO WAY FOR YOU TO RESIST!

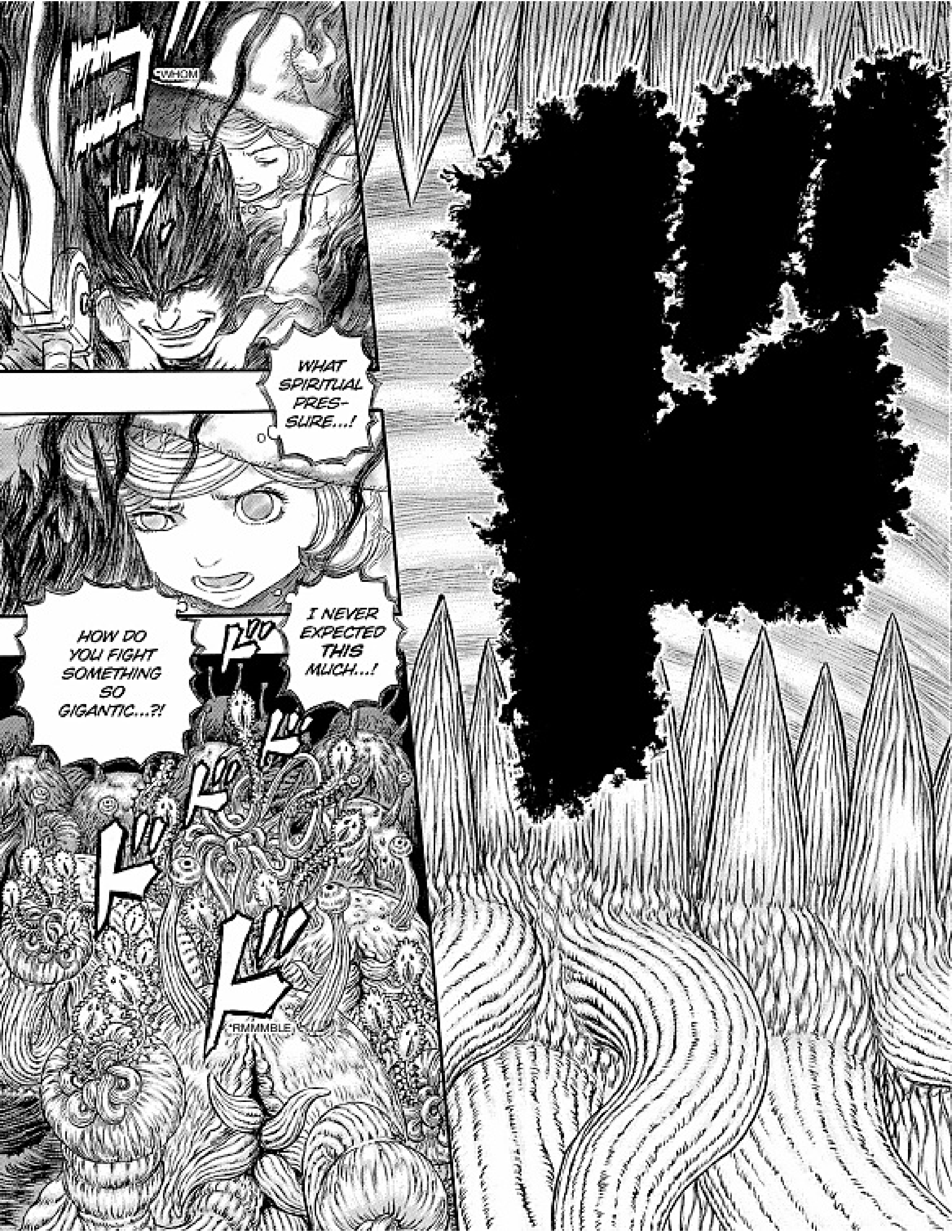

AND EVEN ALL THESE BRETHREN ...
...ARE NAUGHT BUT A SINGLE PART OF YOU-KNOW-WHO.
THEN KNOW THAT...
...WHAT YOU GAZE UPON BE PURE DESPAIR!
NOW!
STRAIN THOSE EYES!
FOLLOW THE FAINT LIGHT EMITTED BY ME BRETHREN ...
...AND PEER INTO THE DEPTHS OF THIS DARKNESS!






TOO BAD, EH?
WHAT YOU WERE FIGHTING SO DESPERATELY WERE NOTHING MORE THAN HIS WHISKERS, BORED UP THROUGH THE ISLAND.
MORE'S THE PITY.


*BOHHHHH
*RATTLE
*RATTLE
*RATTLE
...!
AND NATURALLY, THE SEA GOD TOOK IT RIGHT PERSONALLY...
...THAT HIS BELOVED WHISKERS WERE LOPPED OFF.


*WHOM
WHAT SPIRITUAL PRES-SURE...!
I NEVER EXPECTED THIS MUCH...!
HOW DO YOU FIGHT SOMETHING SO GIGANTIC...?!
*RMMMBLE


*GROHHHHL


YO HO HO!
YOU'RE LIKE A SHRIMP ABOUT TO BE FED TO AN OCTOPUS!
YOU'RE ABOUT TO BE EATEN, SHELL AND ALL!
NOW!
CHOW DOWN, BRETHREN !!
RMMMBLE
YOU CAN'T FIGHT THIS MANY AT ONCE! LET'S FALL BACK INTO THE NARROWER PART OF THE CAVE SO YOU CAN TAKE THEM ON ONE AT A--



...NO, BOTTLENECKS MAKE IT TOO HARD FOR ME TO MANEUVER.
BESIDES, I CAN'T WHITTLE AWAY ALL MY STRENGTH HERE AT THE FRONT DOOR.
BUT--
THERE'S NO WAY...
...WE'RE GOING TO STRAIGHT UP FIGHT *ALL* THESE THINGS.
WE'RE HEADED ONE WAY...
AND ONE WAY ONLY.
KILL HIM!
CHAK
ガチャッ


WE'RE LEAPING RIGHT INTO THAT BIG MOUTH!!
LEAP INTO...
...ITS MOUTH ?!
SHOM



*SHMP
*SHA
TMP
ARE YOU HANGING US OUT TO DRY?!
THE SCURVY DOG'S JUMPIN' AROUND A...
TH—
...GOW!




*SPRING

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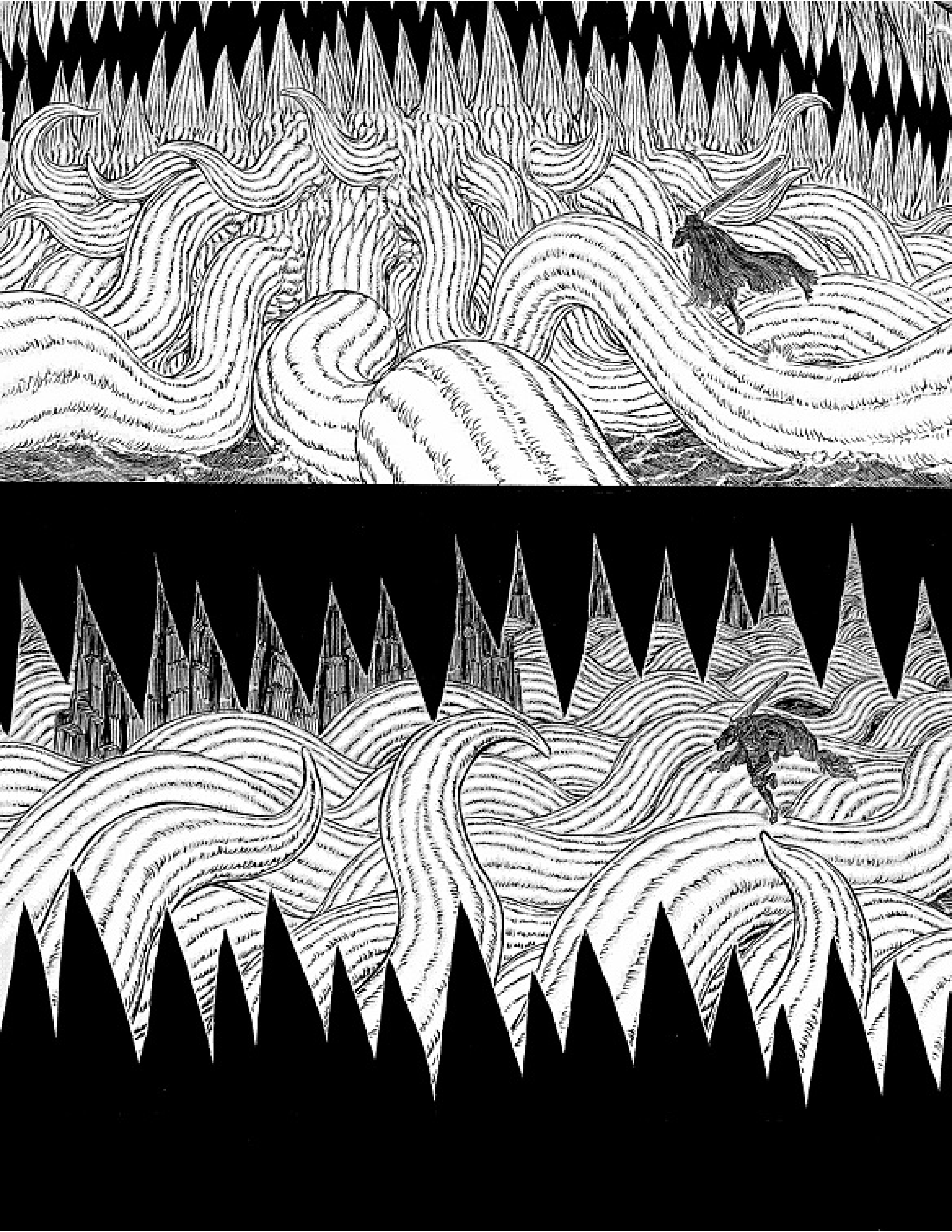
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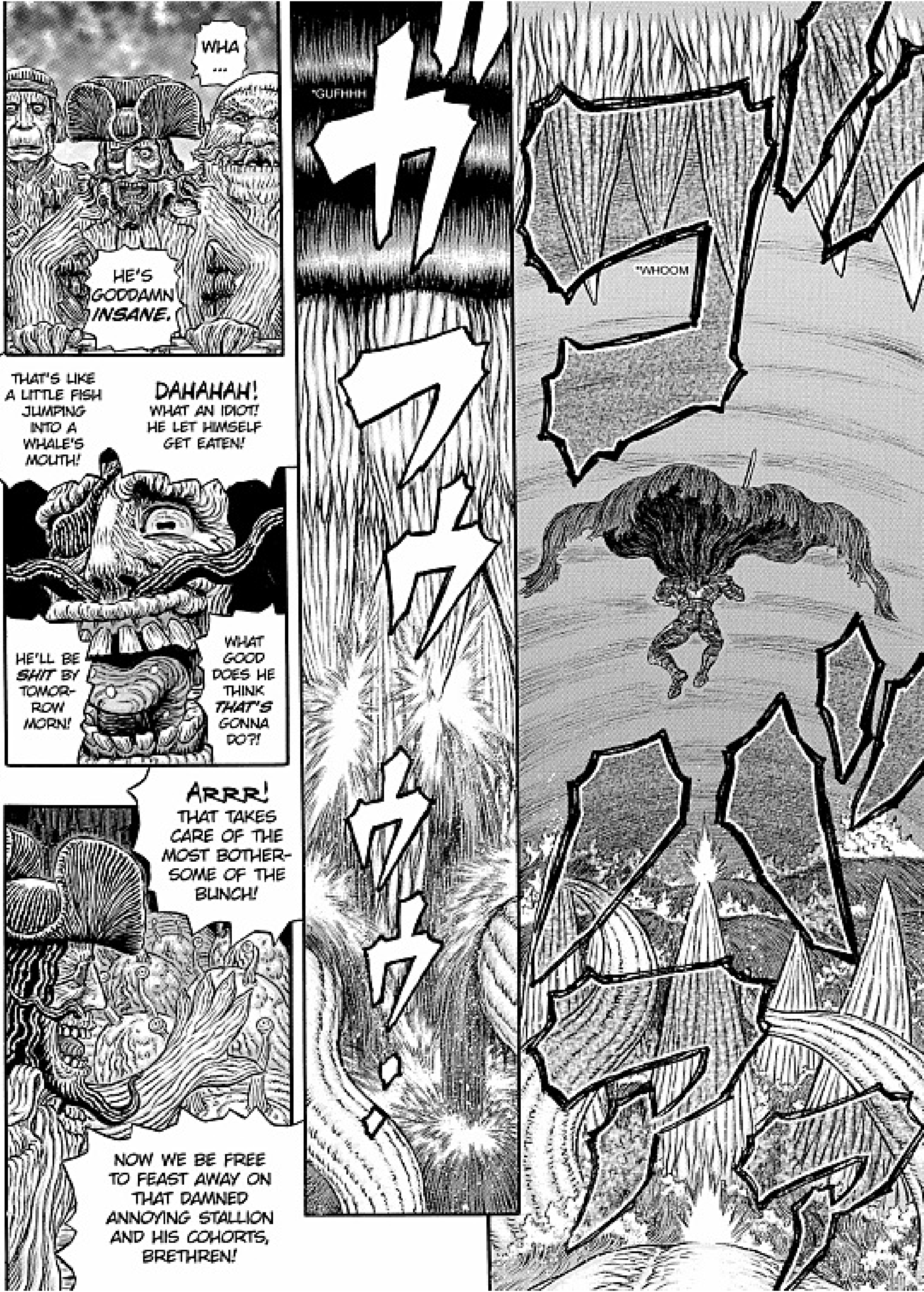

*FX: WHAM
*FX: HOP


*SHUNK
*WHAM
*SHAA
DON'T GET PULLED OFF!
EEEEEK!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING?! HE'S NOT A BEANBAG!
THERE BE *HUNDREDS* OF YOU... CAN'T *ONE* OF YOU MANAGE TO CATCH HIM?!


SHF
SHF
SHF
SHF
OUTTA THE WAY!
I'M TRYING TO JUMP RIGHT INTO THAT FREAKISHLY HUGE MAW!

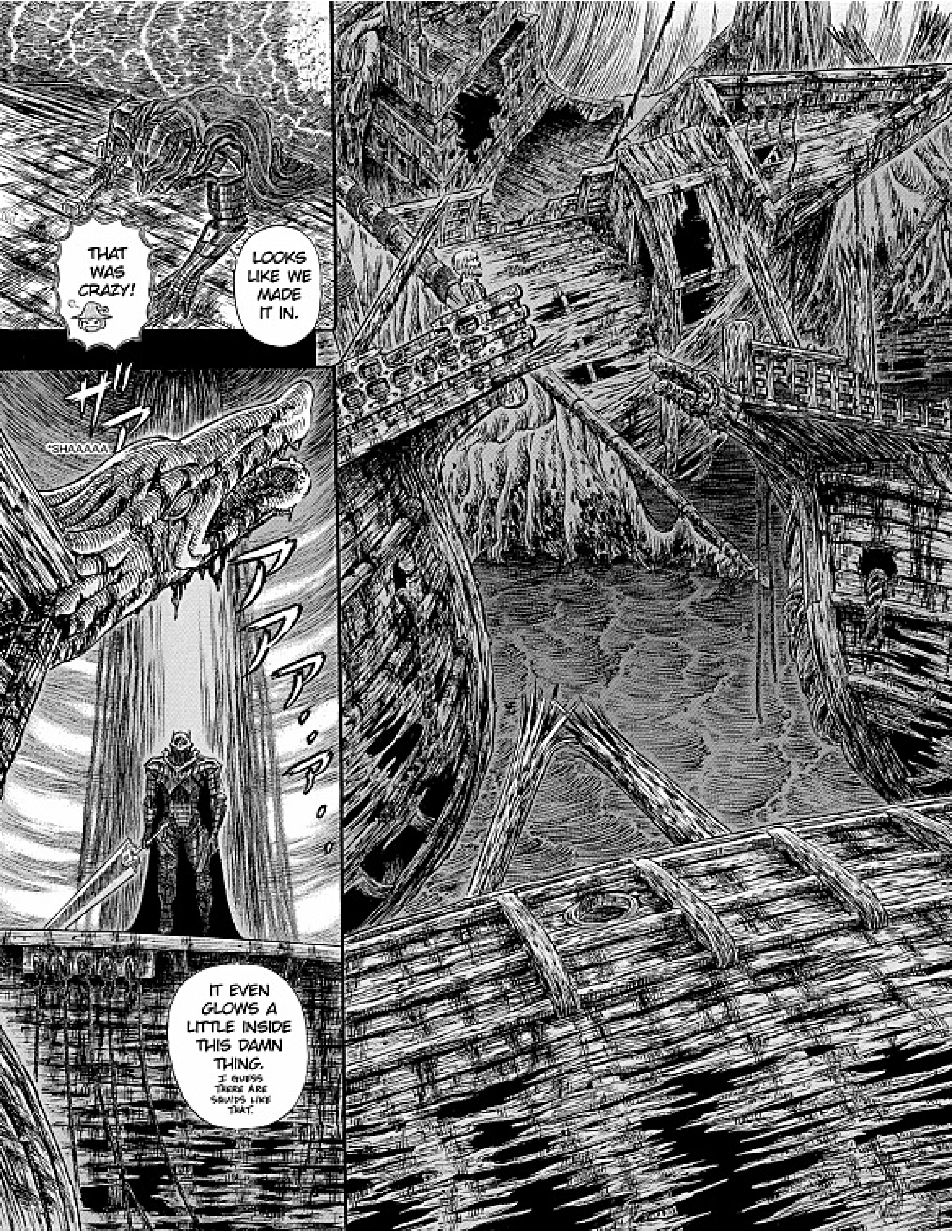


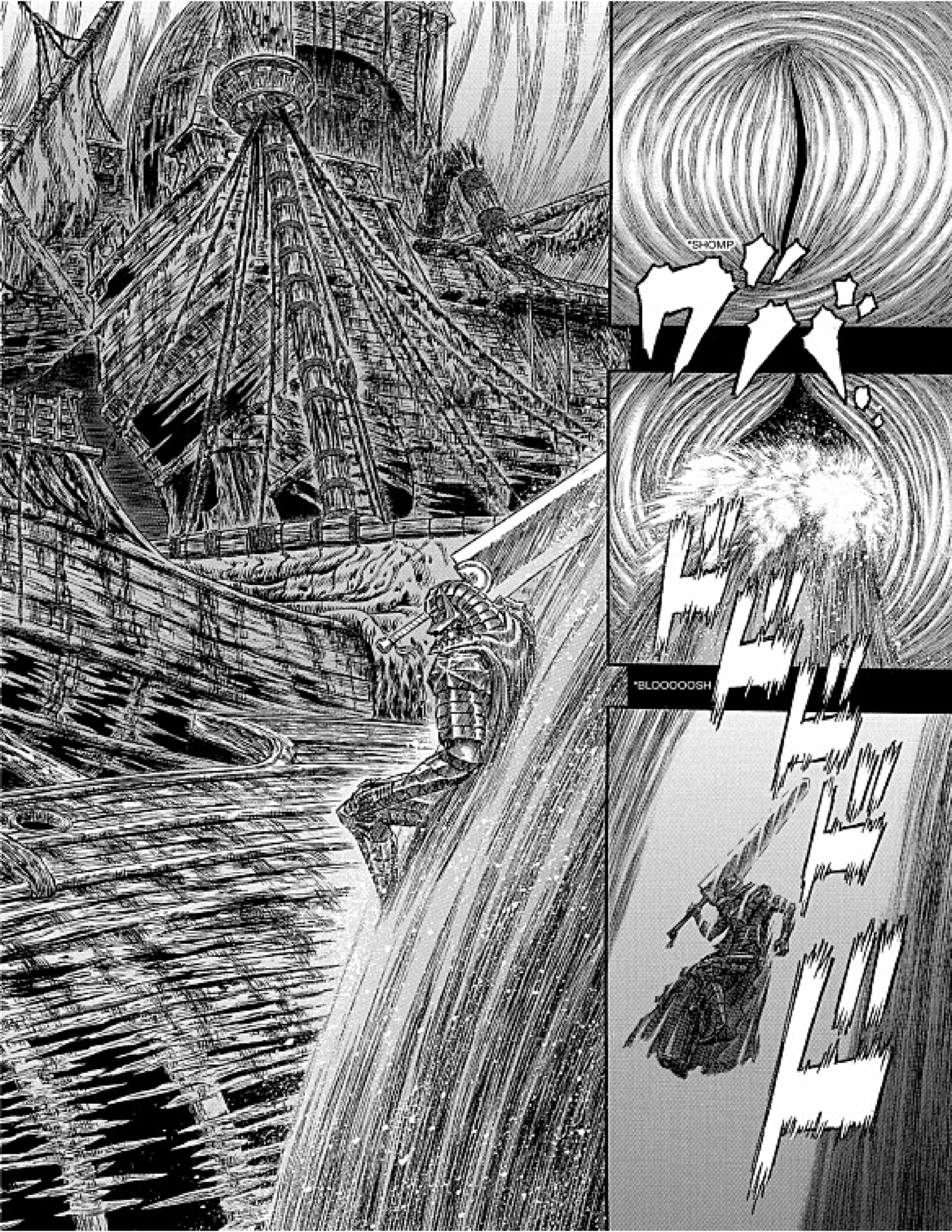




*WHOOM
*GUFHHH
WHA ...
HE'S GODDAMN INSANE.
DAHAHAH! WHAT AN IDIOT! HE LET HIMSELF GET EATEN!
THAT'S LIKE A LITTLE FISH JUMPING INTO A WHALE'S MOUTH!
WHAT GOOD DOES HE THINK THAT'S GONNA DO?!
HE'LL BE SHIT BY TOMOR-ROW MORN!
ARRR! THAT TAKES CARE OF THE MOST BOTHER-SOME OF THE BUNCH!
NOW WE BE FREE TO FEAST AWAY ON THAT DAMNED ANNOYING STALLION AND HIS COHORTS, BRETHREN!


IT'S THE CLIMAX OF THE FESTIVAL!! LET'S BE ON OUR WAY!!
*DJSHHHH


LOOKS LIKE WE MADE IT IN.
THAT WAS CRAZY!
*SHAAAAA
IT EVEN GLOWS A LITTLE INSIDE THIS DAMN THING.
I GUESS THERE ARE SQUIDS LIKE THAT.


*SHOMP
*BLOOOOOSH



IT'S LIKE SOME LEGENDARY SHIP GRAVE-YARD.
THEY MUST HAVE BEEN DRAGGED IN BY THOSE TENTACLES.
THE SEA GOD TAKES IN ITS VICTIMS AND MAKE THEM PART OF ITSELF...
IT'S SO REPUL-SIVE...
SO WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO NOW?
LOOK HOW HUGE ITS STOMACH IS. INFLICTING A SMALL WOUND IN HERE WOULD ONLY FEEL LIKE BEING STUCK BY A LITTLE FISH BONE...
DON'T YOU HEAR IT?
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*BAKONNNG
!
A CANNON ...?!
IS THE SEAHORSE *BOMBARDING* IT?!
NO.



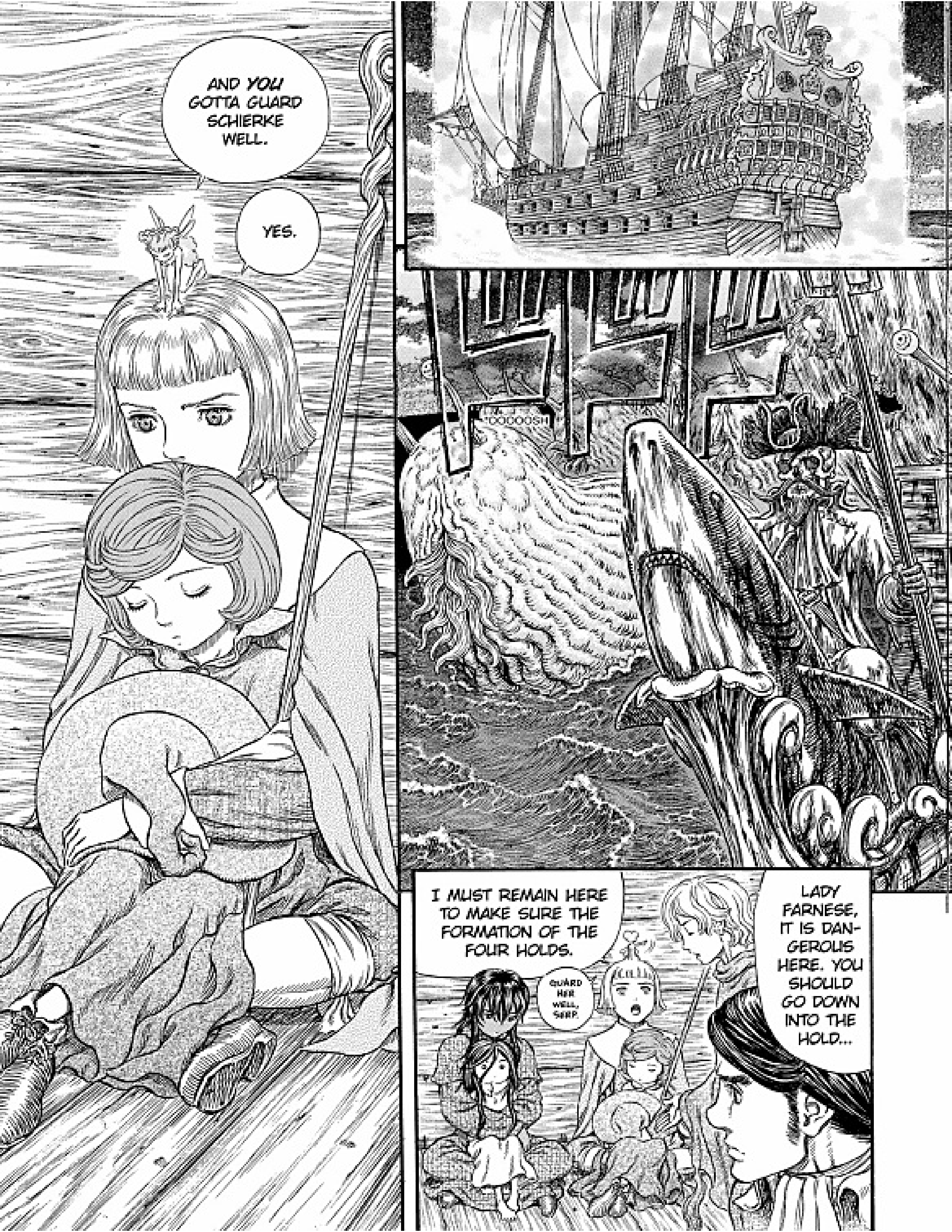
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*BAKONNNG
THAT'S A PULSE.
IT'S THE SOUND OF THE SEA GOD'S HEART.
THAT'S... A PULSE?
WELL...
...ACTUALLY I SUPPOSE IT IS.
DOESN'T MATTER HOW BIG ITS BODY IS. WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO IT, THIS THING'S NOTHING MORE THAN AN OCTOPUS.
EVEN A LITTLE BONE MEANS TROUBLE IF IT STICKS YOU IN THE HEART.
ドコオオ
*BAKONNNG
BUT WITH THIS SOUND ECHOING ALL OVER THE PLACE, I'M NOT SURE WHERE ITS HEART IS...
CAN YOU TELL, SCHIERKE?
LEAVE IT TO ME.
IF I FOLLOW THE FLOW OF OD THROUGH ITS BODY...


!
THERE.
ABOVE AND TO THE RIGHT IS WHERE ITS BLOOD FLOW GATHERS.
WE'D BETTER HURRY.
THOSE TENTACLES OUT THERE AREN'T ABOUT TO IGNORE THE *SEA-HORSE.*
NOW ...
WE COULD SCALE THE STOMACH WALL OR CUT THROUGH IT AND PUSH THROUGH THE ENTRAILS...
BUT BOTH WAYS WOULD TAKE TOO LONG...
GUTS ...!
*FX: DOOOSH
*BLORP
STOMACH ACID.


WE'LL LET IT CARRY US TO THE TOP.
!
WE NEED TO HURRY AND GET OUT OF HERE!
THERE'S SO MUCH OF IT...!
*FX: SSSSSSS
THIS WORKS OUT WELL.
HUH?
YOU'RE BEING RECKLESS AGAIN...! EEK!
NAH, ALL I HAVE TO DO IS GET TO THE TOP WITHOUT DISSOLVING.
!
GUTS!
*FX: DOOOOSH


WHAT'RE THOSE?
I DON'T KNOW. PROBABLY PARASITES THAT LIVE INSIDE THE SEA GOD OR SOMETHING...
THEY MUST BE CLIMBING TO ESCAPE THE STOMACH ACID.
*KLACK
*KLACK
*SPRING




AND YOU GOTTA GUARD SCHIERKE WELL.
YES.
LADY FARNESE, IT IS DAN-GEROUS HERE. YOU SHOULD GO DOWN INTO THE HOLD...
GUARD HER WELL, SERP.
I MUST REMAIN HERE TO MAKE SURE THE FORMATION OF THE FOUR HOLDS.

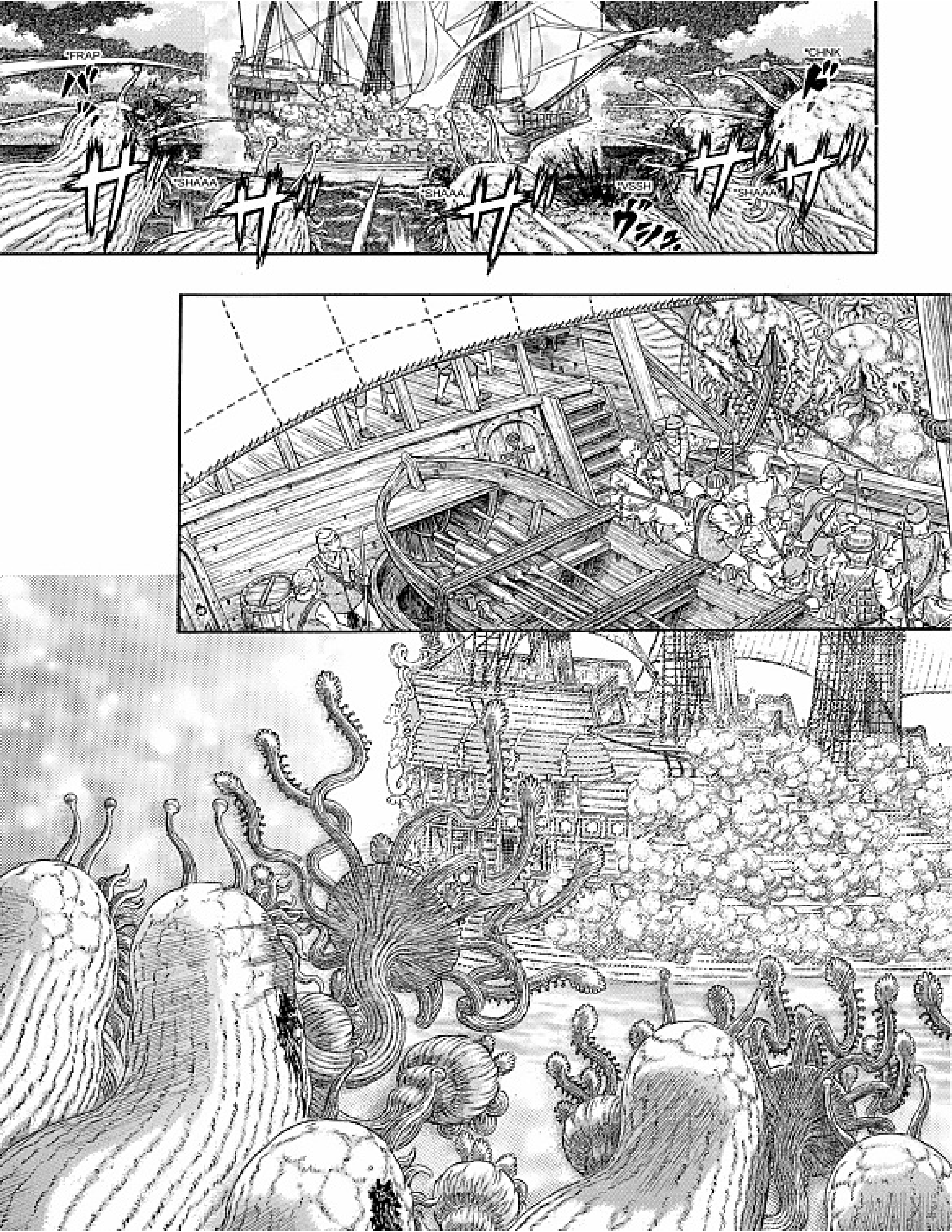

MULTIPLE VESSELS TO STAR-BOARD!!
IT'S THE PIRATE SHIP...
AND A SWARM OF *MONSTERS* !!
OOOOOSH
YES, WE CAN!
CAPTAIN!
THERE'S A FLEET'S WORTH OF THEM! WE SHOULD FALL BACK FOR NOW...!
NO NEED TO BE SCARED! WE CAN TAKE 'EM!
YOW! THERE WERE *THAT* MANY SWARMING RIGHT UNDER MY FEET?!



THERE'S A LOT OF THEM!!
MAKE EVERY SHOT COUNT!!
PREPARE TO FIRE ALL STARBOARD CANNONS!!
WE FIGHT BACK!!
*BOOM



OUR SEAHORSE HAS A GODDESS IN COMMAND OF ANGELS ON BOARD.
...NO.
*BOOM
*BOOM
FIRE!!
*BOOM


*CHINK
*SHAAA
*VSSH
*SHAAA
*SHAAA
*FRAP


FULL SPEED AHEAD, ME HEARTIES!!
PAY IT NO MIND!!

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SEA GOD, PART 3



ボボオオオオオ
BWOOOOOSH
LOOK!
TH-THEY'VE STOPPED ...?!
THEY CAN'T GET INSIDE THIS WALL OF LIGHT!
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WOMMM
WELL, I'LL BE DAMNED! IT STOPPED THAT MANY MONSTERS...
N-NOT BAD, FARNY...!
YOU ARE A GODDESS...
WELL, NATURALLY, AFTER ALL THAT TRAINING WITH SCHIERKE EVERY DAY.
YOU'RE THE SEAHORSE'S GUARDIAN ANGEL!


*BOOM
*BOOM
*BOOM



ALRIGHT!
WITH THIS MANY OF THEM, WE COULD HIT THEM WITH OUR EYES CLOSED!
KEEP FIRING, AND AT WILL!!
*BOOM
*BOOM


*SHASSSH
GOT 'EM!
NICE!
THAT'S THE WAY!
BLOW ANY OF THEM THAT GET CLOSE TO PIECES!
*BOOM
*BOOM
*BOOM


*WHOM
YOU GOOD-FOR-NOTHING BUFFOONS!!
THEY ROLLED RIGHT OVER THEIR OWN GUYS!!
!


*JSSSSSH
THE PIRATE SHIP'S BOW GOT THROUGH THE LIGHT...! WHAT'S GOING ON?!
THIS FORMATION IS A SPELL TO DEFEND AGAINST THOSE NOT OF THIS WORLD...!
IT'S ONLY HALF AS EFFECTIVE AGAINST ANYTHING WITH PHYSICAL SUBSTANCE!

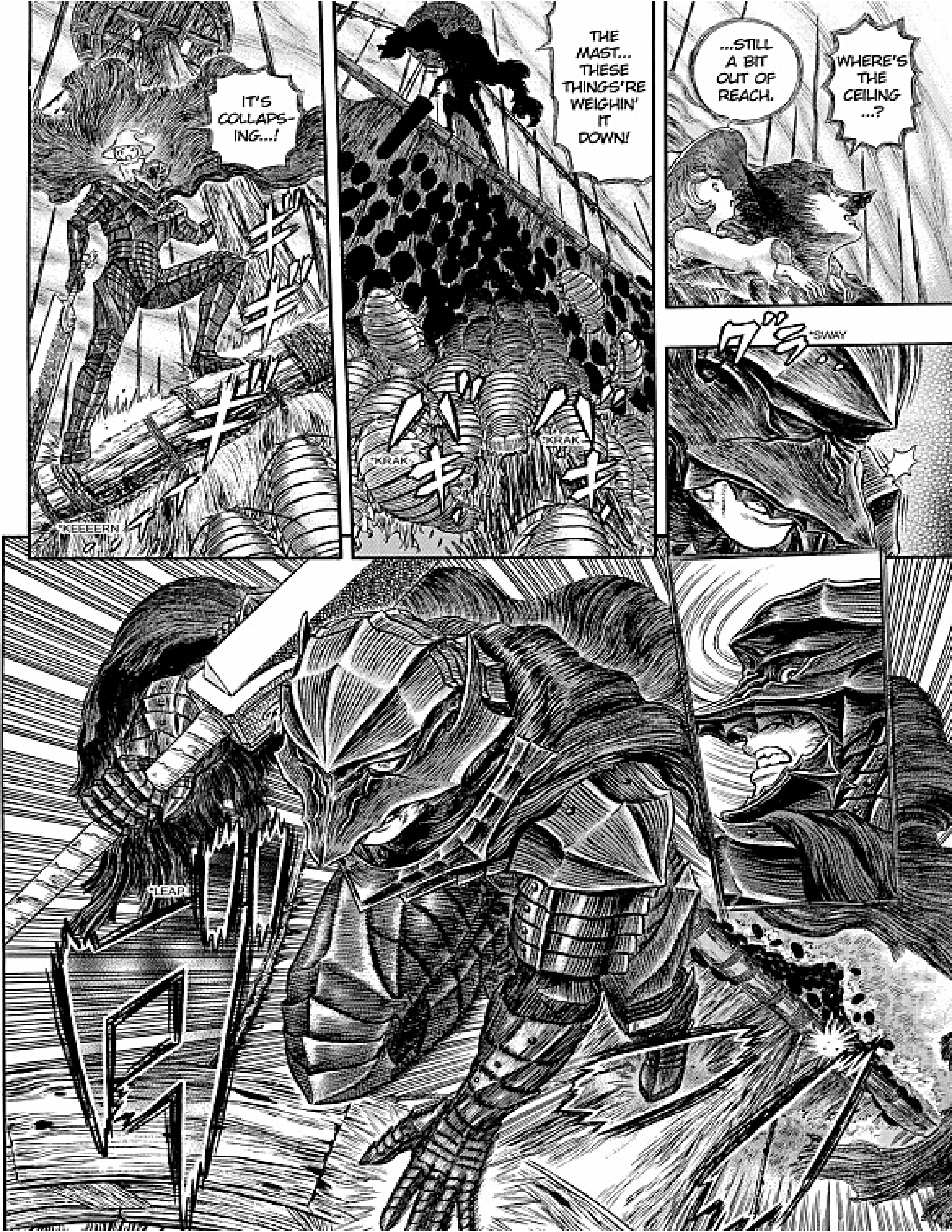

YO HO HO HO HO...


NOW WE CAN FINALLY GET DOWN TO SOME SWASH-BUCKLIN'!
BOSS MAN, MY BODY'S KIND OF NUMB. I DON'T FEEL ANYTHING BELOW THE WAIST...
JUST PRETEND YOU WERE STUNG BY A STINGRAY OR SOMETHING.
NOW THEN, GENTS! TIME FOR YOU TO PAY BACK IN FULL THE DEBT YOU OWE!
THEN AFTER WE SLICE YOU UP AND EAT OUR FILL...
...WE'LL LET BYGONES BE BYGONES ...
...AND IT'LL BE A TENTA-CLE'S LIFE FOR US!
*HYNN
AYE! WE'LL ALL BE TRUE BRETHREN OF THE--
*BOOMP


*SPAKT
WHAT TENTACLE'S LIFE, YA OCTOPUS ?
...MAKE THAT "SUCKER"!
WHO IN THEIR RIGHT MIND WOULD EVER...
YOU WANNA BE SQUID ON A STICK?
...WANT TO BECOME ONE OF YOU NASTY-ASS TENTACLES?!
AND YOU STINK LIKE SQUID!
YOU AIN'T BRETHREN OF THE SEA OR NOTHIN' ANYMORE!
YOU'RE JUST...
...FRUIT OF THE SEA!
"FRUIT" ...?
YOU BETCHA.
WE'VE ALSO GOT VINEGARED SQUID.
I'D NEARLY CONVINCED MYSELF I WAS A MARINER, TOO.
WHEN DID YOU PUT THAT ON?
IT'S TIME FOR A THRASHING!


WHAT DO YOU DOGS KNOW ABOUT A TENTACLE'S FEELINGS?!
CAN IT!!
YOU SLIMY CREEP!!!
*ROHHHHH


*SHASSSH
*SHONK
TCH! THERE'S NO END TO 'EM!
WE'VE NOWHERE ELSE TO RUN...!


WHERE'S THE CEILING ...?
...STILL A BIT OUT OF REACH.
THE MAST... THESE THINGS'RE WEIGHIN' IT DOWN!
*KRAK
*KRAK
IT'S COLLAPS-ING...!
*KEEEERN
*SWAY
*LEAP


HEY...!
GUTS, YOU WOULDN'T ?!


*SLASH
*SWING
GUTS...!
*SHFF SHFFF
*DANGLE


THAT SHOULD DO IT.
*SLIP
*FWOP
*VWOOSH
WE'RE FALL--


*ZHFFF
*ROHHHN
*WHSSSS
*FX: BWOOOSH
WHETHER I COULD CUT THROUGH IT OR NOT WAS A GAMBLE,
BUT IT PAID OFF.
I DIDN'T KNOW HOW THICK THE STOMACH WALL WAS.
THE STOMACH ACID HAS PRESSUR-IZED ALL THE GAS IN THERE, AND IT WENT GUSHING OUT LIKE A BURP.
WHA...
WHAT HAP-PENED?!
LOOKS LIKE...
...WE'RE JUST GETTING STARTED, THOUGH.
!
PLEASE STOP BEING SO RECKLESS.
NOT THAT YOU'RE LIKELY TO LISTEN, BUT YOU'RE GIVING *ME* AN ULCER, TOO.
SORRY ABOUT THAT.


*KSSH
*KSSH
LOOKS LIKE THIS THING'S INSIDES ARE A DEN OF MONSTERS.
THEY ELIMINATE FOREIGN ENEMIES IN EXCHANGE FOR NOURISHMENT FROM THE SEA GOD... THEY COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER.
WELL, TOO BAD. WE MIGHT NOT BE PERMANENT RESIDENTS, BUT OUR DEN'S AT STAKE, TOO.
TIME TO FORCE OUR WAY THROUGH.


*ROHHHH
FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT YOUR WAY THROUGH !!
OR ELSE EVERY LAST ONE OF YOU IS SHARK BAIT!!
*RISE
WE'LL TAKE THE HIGH ROAD, WHILE THEY'RE BUSY WITH YOU!
YO HO HO! THIS BE WHY TENTACLES RULE!
*OOOOOO
*CLANG
*CHING
DON'T LET THEM WIN!!


*SHRRRRL
*WAP!
*VSSSH
*WHOCK!
OH, WOW!
YOU CAN USE MAGIC TOO, WIND CHARM GUY?!
"WIND CHARM GUY"...?
HN.
HN.
HN.
*CHINNNG
HEAVE
HOOOO!!



I AM THE BLACK-MOUSTACHED KNIGHT!!
REMEMBER THAT!!
*SHRAK
THAT'S INCREDIBLE, STOWAWAY!
OLD BUCKET-HEAD!
WHOAAAHHH!
FAR-NESE!
*ZHM
INCOM-ING!!
*ZHM
*ZHM
*SHM
*SHM
*RAGGHHH


*HHHH
*HHHH
MY SNAKES SAVE THE DAY! ♡
WHAT'RE YOU DOING?! YOU USUALLY FIGHT HARDER THAN THIS!
EASY FOR YOU TO SAY...!
IT'S HARD TO MOVE WHEN YOUR LOWER HALF'S NUMB...!
JUST PRETEND YOU GOT STUCK BY A CONE SNAIL OR SOMETHING, AND MAKE UP FOR IT WITH SPIRIT!
*DART
*GACHINNNG

BOOMING ART


BOYYYY!!
TIME TO KNOCK YOU INTO THE SEA AGAIN!!
*BAING
*CHINNNG
*INNNG
HNNNNN...!


YOU...
YOU'VE SHARPENED YOUR SKILLS!
*CRANNNG
I'M A GROWING BOY!
*SPIN
AND I'VE HAD PLENTY OF TRAINING!
ON A ROCKING BOAT, THANKS VERY MUCH!!
*WHACK
WHOA, CLOSE CALL!
*JUMP
TCH!
*VYNN
*SHA
BUT AS FOR STRENGTH ITSELF, YOU STILL DON'T--
AS YOU SAY...



*FWOOMP
*BWOOSH
IGH!
TCH!
WOH HOT HOT!
TH-THE LITTLE BRAT! HE'S QUICK TO USE ANYTHING HE GETS HIS HANDS ON!
NOT EVEN GROWN MEN USED TO COMBAT CAN DO THAT VERY OFTEN!
HE PISSES ME OFF SO MUCH!
...BY THE POWERS, YOU'RE ONE FIEND OF A LAD.
YOU ARE CUT OUT FOR PIRATING, WITH YOUR TALENTS.
WELL? YOU STILL SURE I CAN'T INTEREST YOU IN A NEW JOB?
NO WAY! YOU GUYS'RE FILTHY, STUPID, AND ABOVE ALL, YOU'RE ALREADY SEAFOOD!


... ALRIGHT, THEN.
*TING
THAT REALLY IS TOO BAD.
*KACHING
BUT, OH WELL. ADULTS HAVE MANY DUTIES.
ONE OF 'EM IS NIPPIN' YOUNG SHRIMPS IN THE BUD.
*FX: VNN
*THWOCK
*SHNK


OH!
I HIT HIM.
I DID IT, ISIDRO!
NICE ONE, ISMA!
BUT THIS'S DANGER-OUS, SO STAND BACK!
URRRGH!
I'D BE *DEAD* NOW IF I WASN'T A TENTACLE!
B-BOSS MAN!
THEY'RE FORCING US BACK!
WE CAN'T KEEP THIS UP ANY LONGER!
FIGHT THEM OFF!
YARRRGH!
YOU LILY-LIVERED LOT! YOU'RE PATHETIC!


THEY'RE RISKING THEIR LIVES?!
SHOW 'EM WHAT TENTACLES ARE MADE OF!!
TIME TO GO FOR BROKE!!
WAIT!
NO!
I DON'T WANNA DIE!
I DON'T WANNA FRY!
JSSSSHHHH
YEEE!
YAH!
TOU!
NICE PITCH!
ISMA!
I SAID STAND BACK!
THIS'S DANGER-OUS!
I'M HANDY WITH A HAR-POON.
CLACK
SHMP
SHMP
PLONK
OOCH
...


HM?
THOSE THINGS...
...
?
*SSS
A BUNCH FELL ON THE DECK.
*FX: TOSS
THEY'RE IMMENSE!! POTENT!! NO MEMBRANE CAN STAND UP TO THEM!! THEY'RE JUST ITCHING TO BURST AS WE SPE--
OUR TENTACLES ARE TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM THE REST!!
*KLONK
*SHMP


IT BURST ?!
AHH?! GET BACK HERE ...!
WE'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS!
WE DON'T WANNA DIE TWICE!
IF IT'S THAT IMPORTANT TO YOU, DO IT BY YOURSELF, BOSS MAN!
*KRAK
UH.
HEY,
WA--
YOU DOGS ...!
*KRAK
SHAAAAA


*SHAAAAA
YO HO HO.. UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN, GENTLEMEN!
*ROHHHHH
NEVER COME BACK!
GO WRAP YOURSELVES AROUND SOME SPERM WHALE!
WE GOT THROUGH THAT SOMEHOW.
YEAH, SOMEHOW.
A GHOST SHIP AND A MONSTER SWARM...
THIS FEELS LIKE SOME KIND OF LEGENDARY VOYAGE, NOW.
WE HAVE YOU TO THANK, FARNESE.
YOU'RE THE REASON WE'RE STILL ALIVE.
YOU WERE COOL, TOO!
Y-- YEAH.
YOU KICKED ASS, ISMA!
NAHHH. IT WAS NO BIG DEAL.


FARNESE!!
THE SEA-HORSE'S GUARDIAN ANGEL!!
FARNESE, THE GODDESS OF VICTORY!!
KEEP DOWN THE NOISE! YOU'LL MESS UP SCHIERKE'S SPELL!
OOO
PRAISE IS WELL AND GOOD, BUT KEEP IT CIVIL!
IITH SAILORS NEED TO TREAT LADIES WITH DIGNITY AT ALL TIMES!
*FX: RAHHHH
NOW...
...THE REST DEPENDS ON GUTS AND SCHIERKE.
IS... IS IT OVER?
*SHIVER


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*BAKONNNG
*BAKONNNG
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*BAKONNNG
GUTS...!
THIS'S A LOT LOUDER THAN THE SEAHORSE'S CANNONS!
MY GUT...
...NO, MY WHOLE DAMN BODY FEELS NUMB!

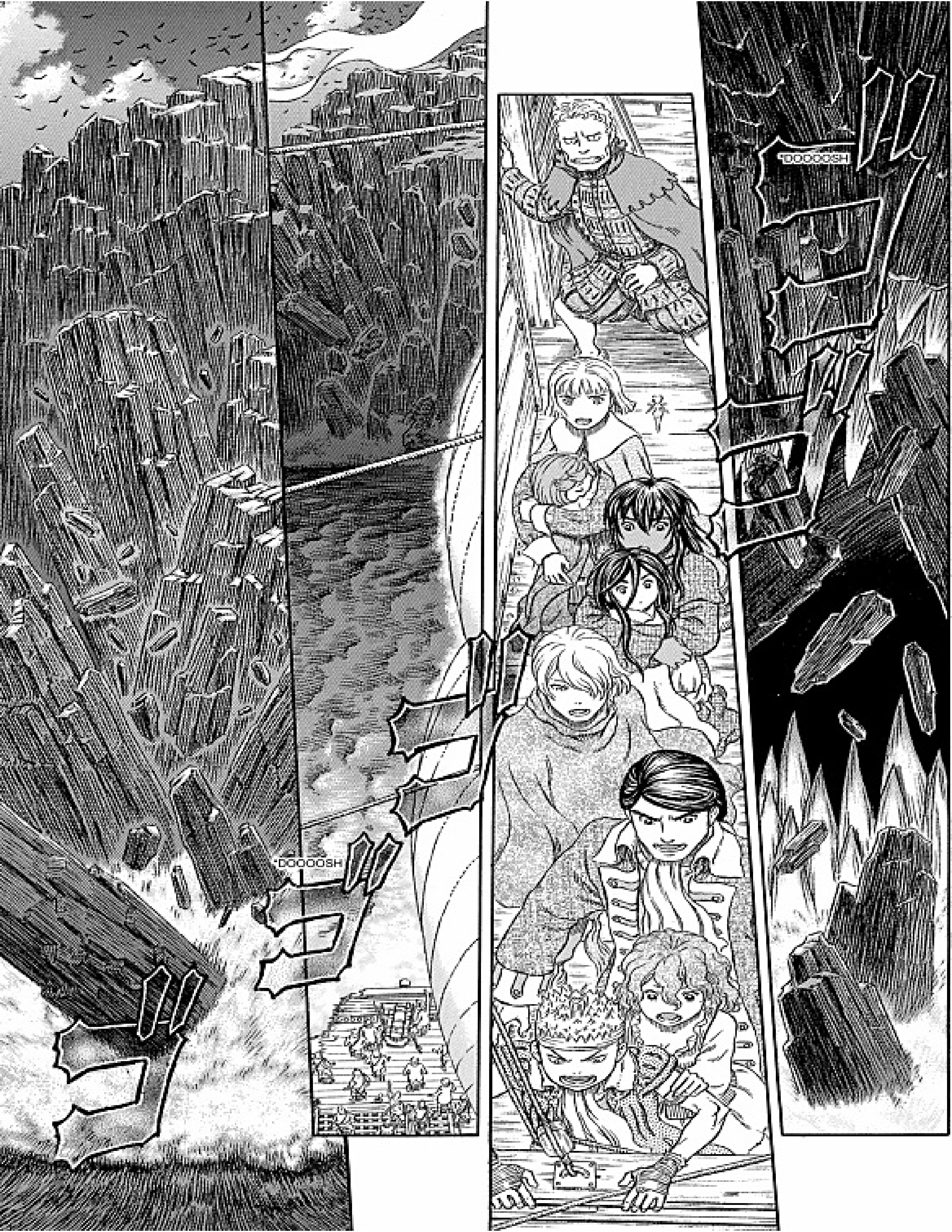

BAKONNNG
YOU CAN BET IF I STAYED HERE TOO LONG...
...THE PULSE ALONE WOULD KILL ME WITH MADNESS!!

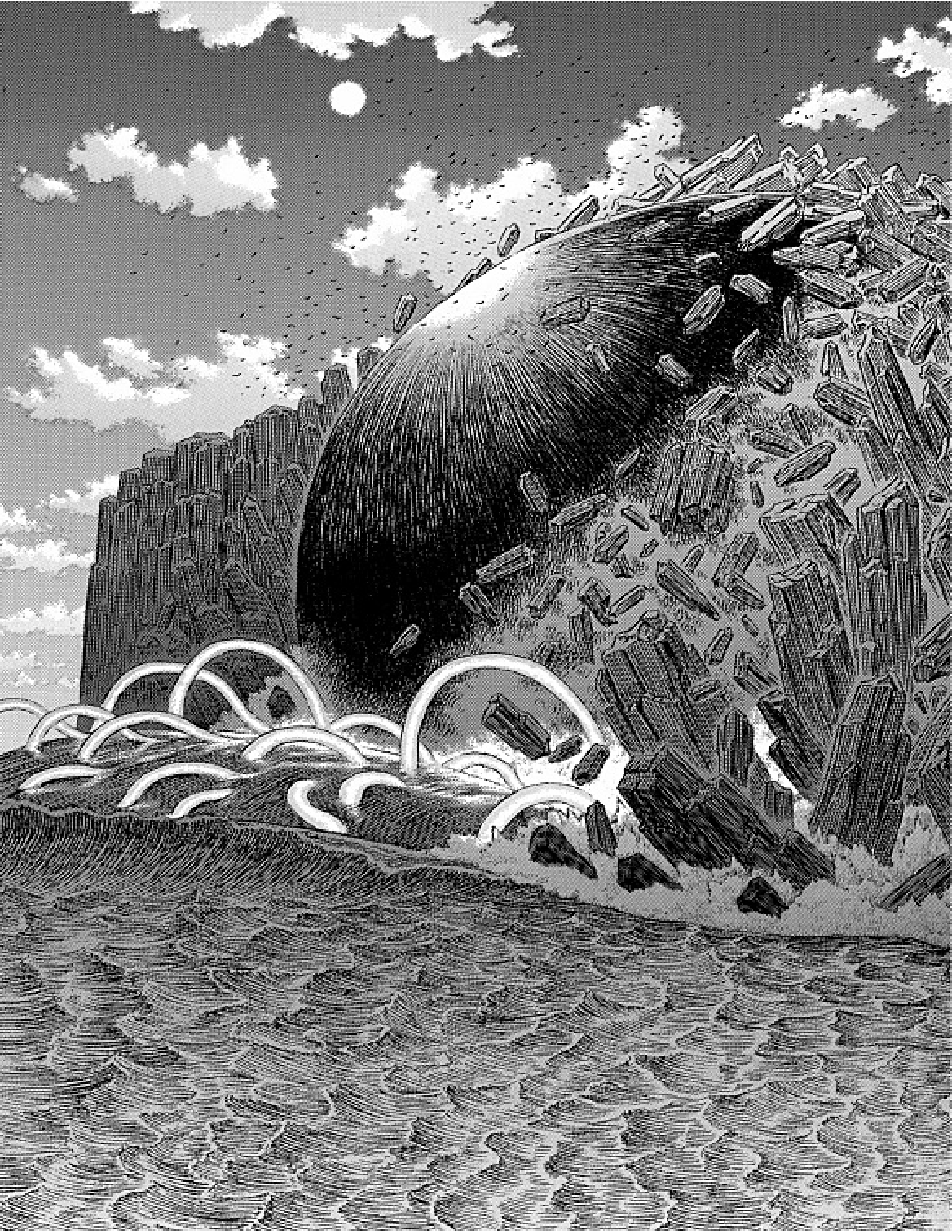

...GUTS?
I KNOW.
WELL, HURRY BEFORE IT HAPPENS...!
THE AIR'S HEAVY AND STAGNANT.
I CAN BREATHE...
*FX: HEHH..
...BUT MY BODY'S HEAVY.
IT'S LIKE I'M UNDER WATER.
NO WONDER THE SOUND CARRIES SO WELL...
*KONNNG
*KONNNG
*KONNNG
*KONNNG
...!
THE PULSE SUDDENLY GREW MORE INTENSE...?!
*ZHHHM
WHAT THE--?!

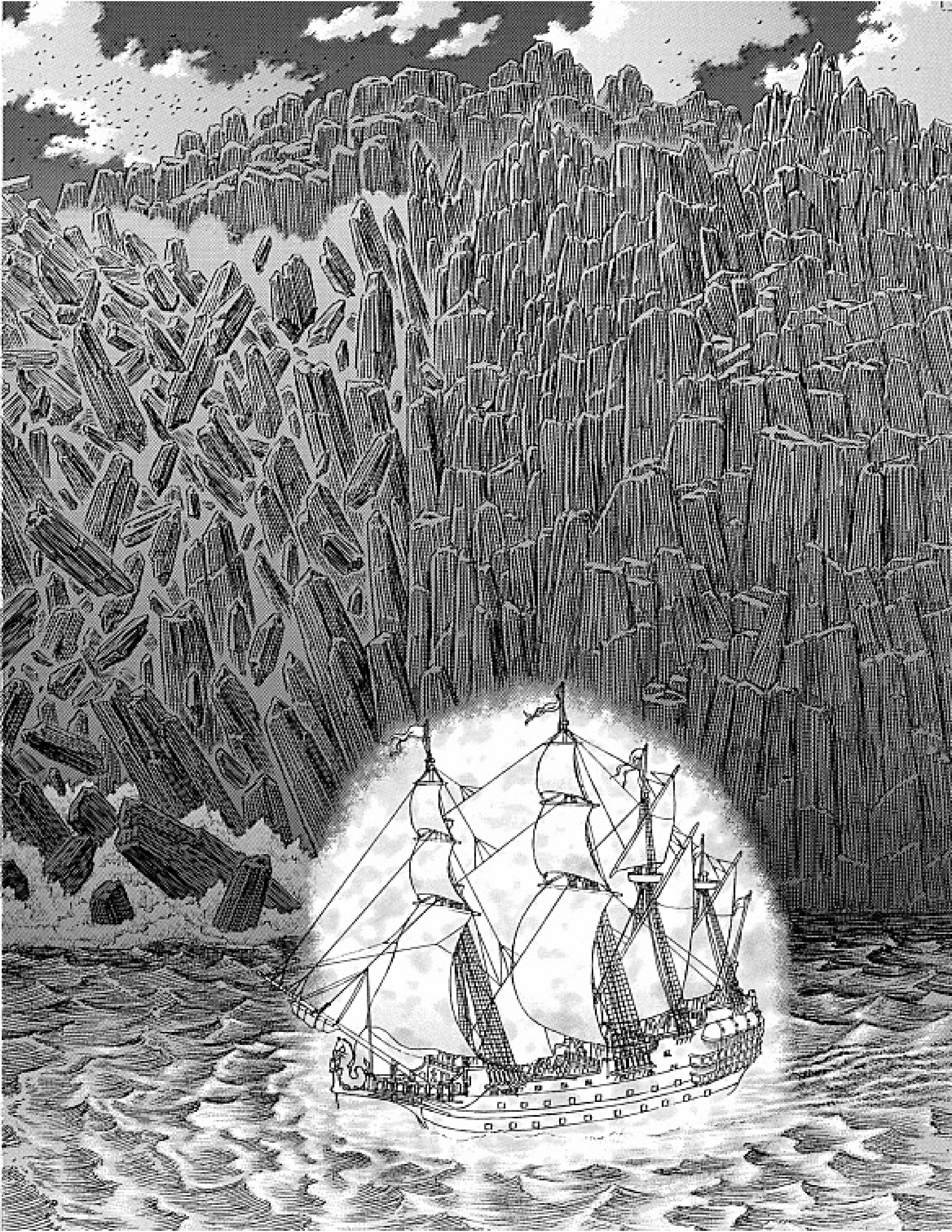

AAAAU
WHAT'S WITH HIM?
HEY!
CLIMBING UP THERE IS DAN-GEROUS, SON.
*THINK
UGH ...
WHAT'S WRONG, ISMA?!

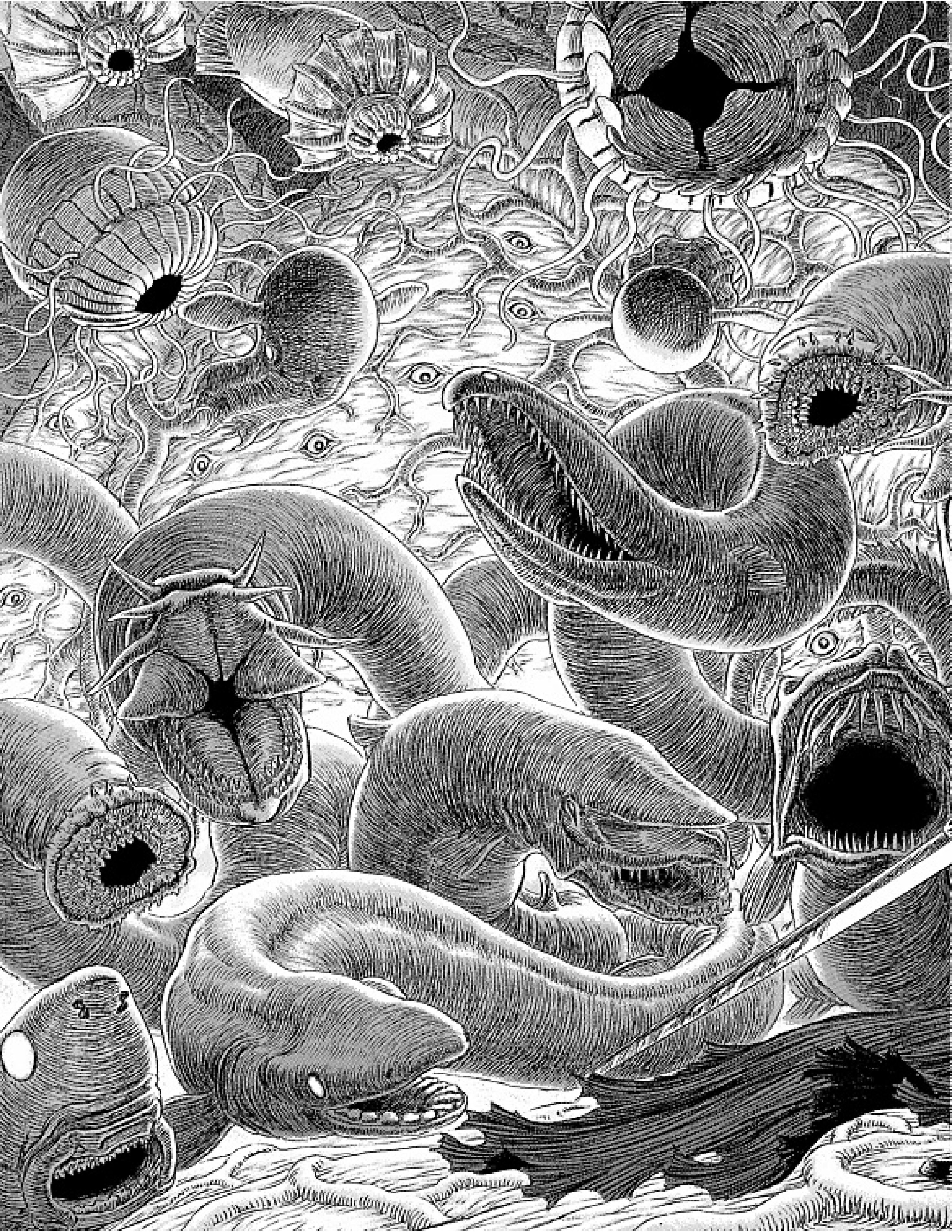

...I DON'T KNOW.
I JUST FELT THIS TERRIBLE CHILL...
I'M SCARED...
?
COME ON! GET DOWN.
HM ...?




*DOOOOSH
*DOOOOSH





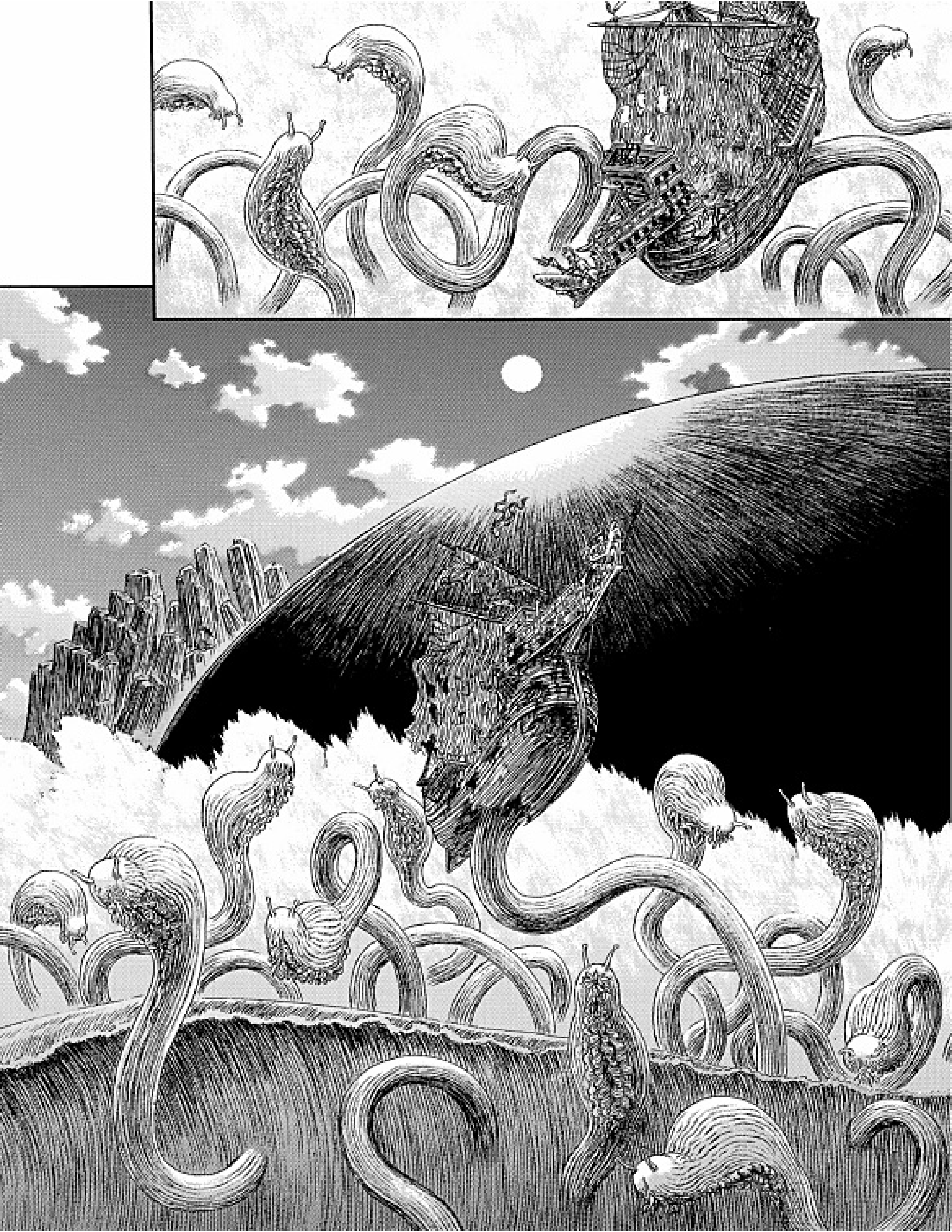


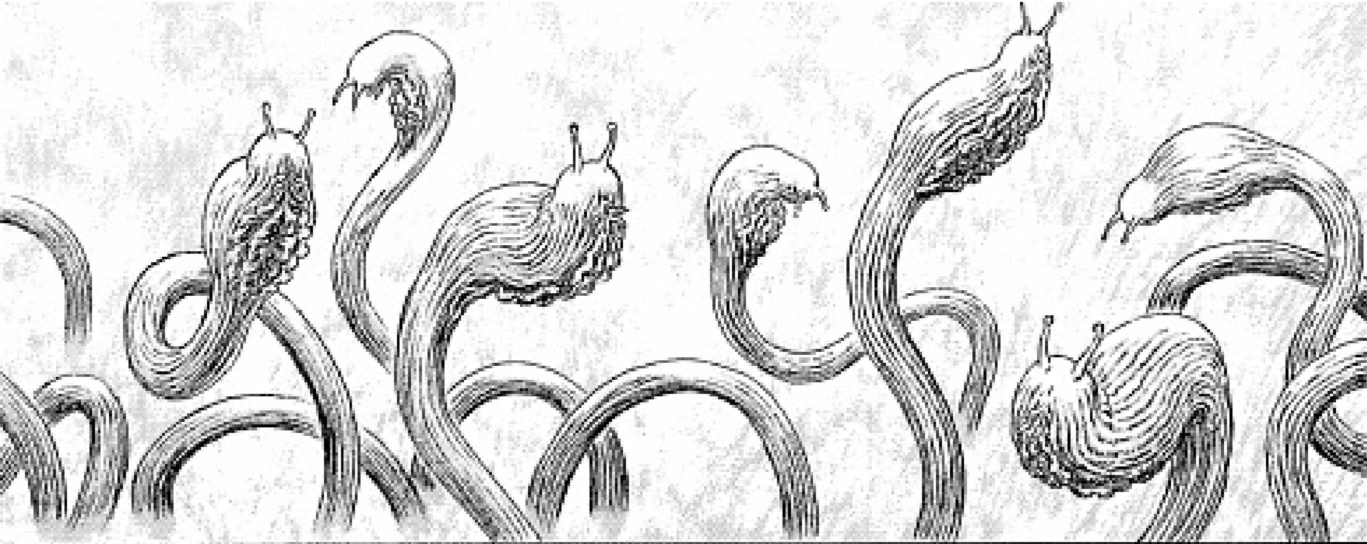


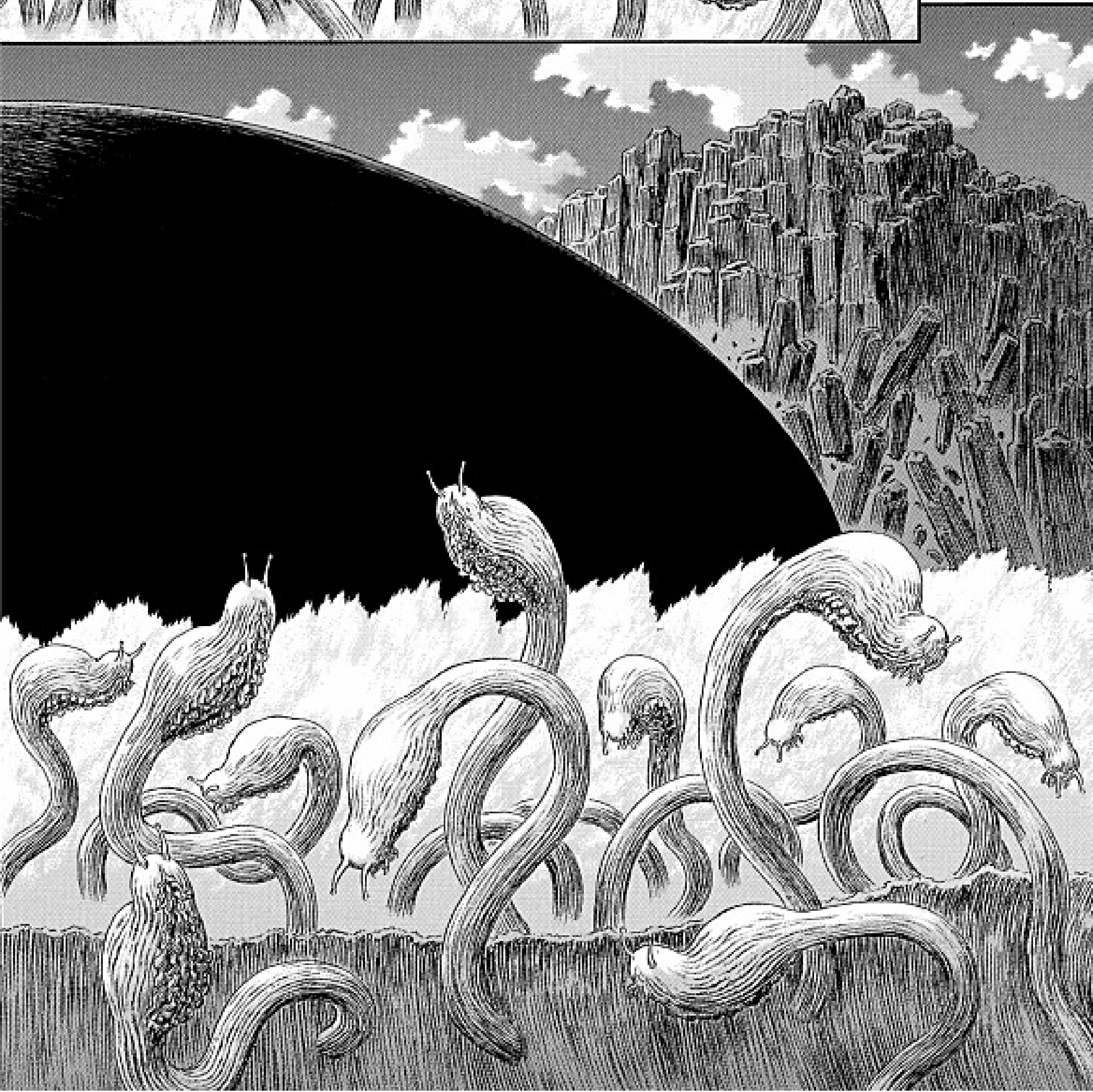
IT'S A SEA GOD, ALRIGHT. THIS FEELS LIKE THE OCEAN FLOOR!!
THERE ARE STILL SO MANY!
HEH!

A CALL FROM THE DEEP


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*DOOOSH
YOOOO HO HO!
SHIVER ME TIMBERS!!! OUR SEA GOD BE A SIGHT TO BEHOLD!!
NOW, THE STALLION'S ILK ARE...
ARE? ...
ARRR ...
*DODOOSH
...
...







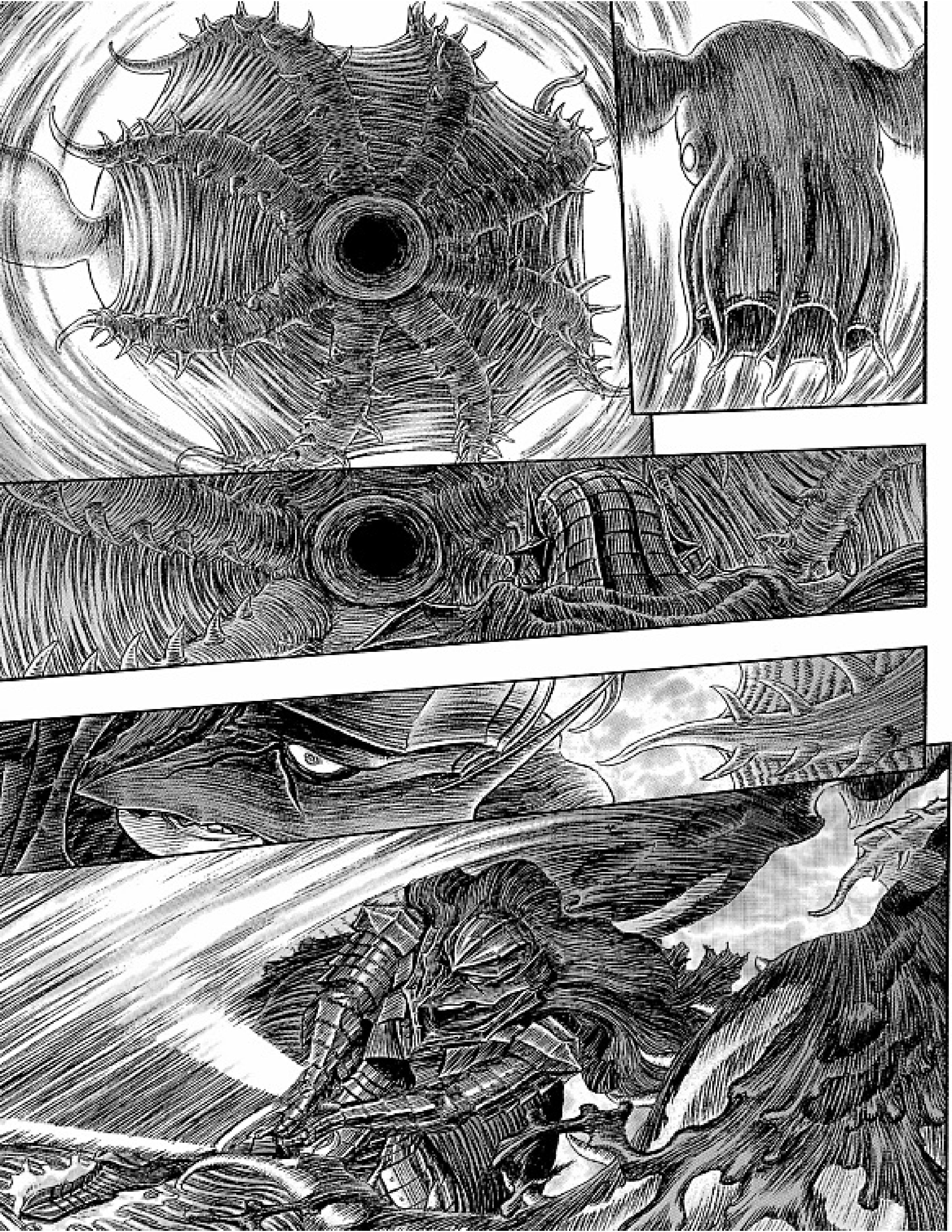

THAT MUST BE THE ROOT OF ALL THOSE TENTACLES.
WHOA, WHOA! THERE'S HUGE, AND THEN THERE'S RIDICULOUS!
...THE SEA GOD.
IT'S LIKE YOUR LEGEND SAID, ISMA.
THAT THING COULD SWALLOW ALL THE FISH AND SHIPS AROUND HERE WHOLE.
THE ISLAND ...
MY ISLAND ...
MY HOME ...
IT'S SINKING...
PA...
......


*FX: BOGHHHH
*DOOOOOSH
ALL HANDS, CLING TO SOMETHING!! HERE COMES A GIANT WAVE!!







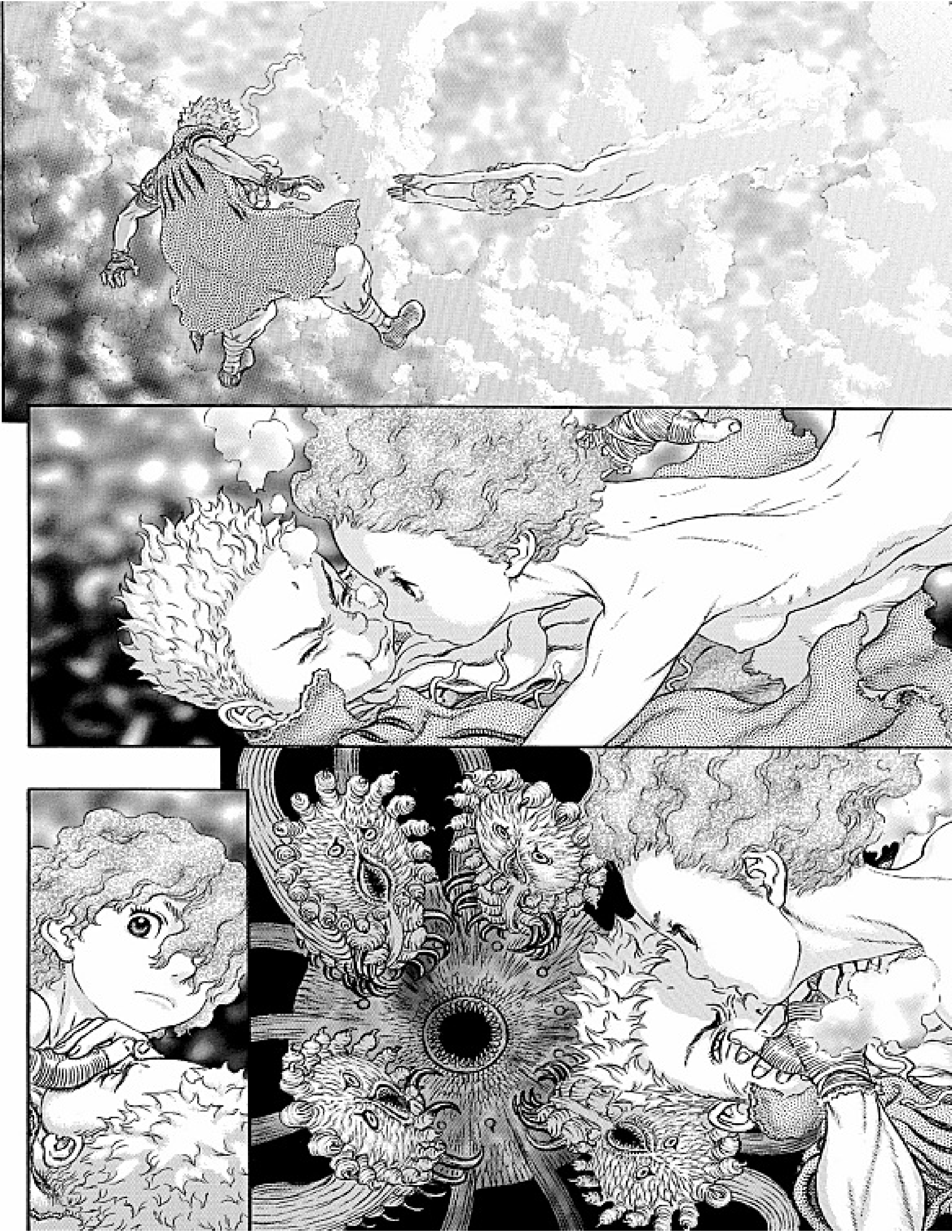



IF THIS GOD THING'S ON THE MOVE...
...WE DON'T HAVE ANY TIME TO WASTE!!


*BAKONNNG

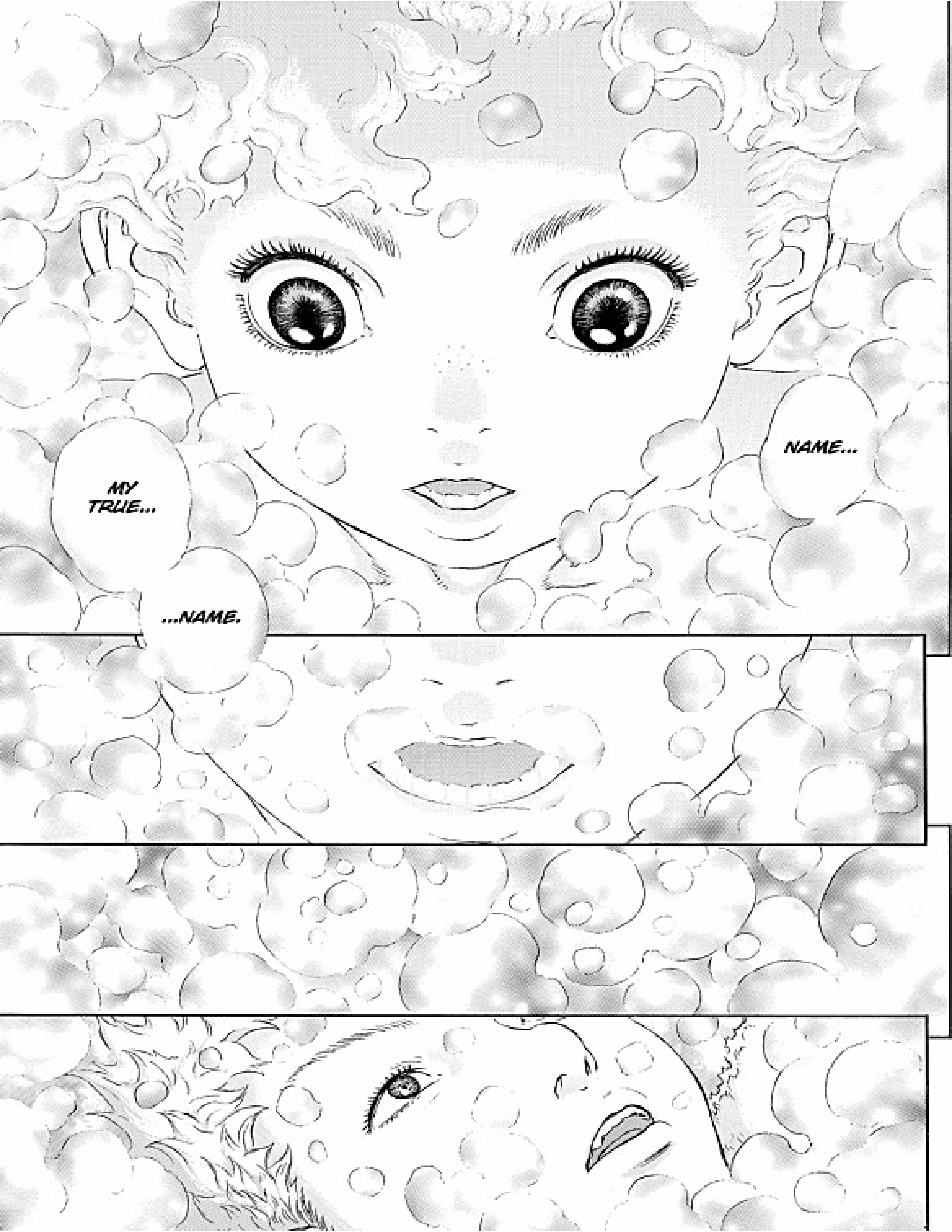

*DOOOSH
ISIDRO...!
OH, NO...!
*SHAAAA


*FWOOMP
*THMP
WAIT ...!
DON'T BE CRAZY !!



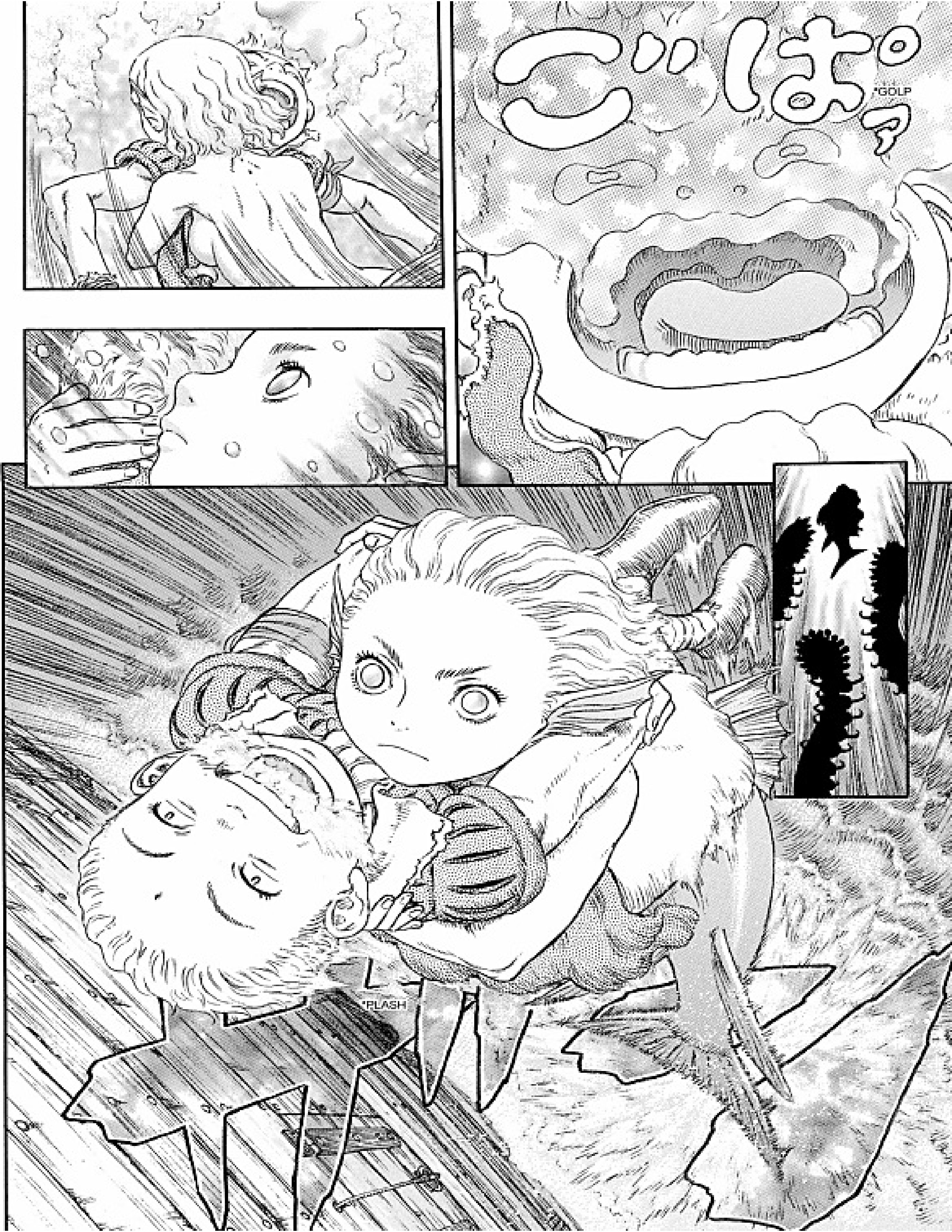

...THEY'RE CATCHING UP!
...THIS VOICE...


YOUR ONE...
...AND ONLY...
...TRUE NAME.
SAY THE NAME.
THE NAME GIVEN YOU,
THAT YOU KNOW NOT.
CHANT.
SAY IT.
SPEAK.


NAME...
MY TRUE...
...NAME.






ごぱァ
*GOLP
*FLASH


BERSERK

人魚（メロウ）①

MERROW, PART 1




*SHWACK
*CHSSSH
WHAT NOW?!
WHAT'S THIS...?!
!
THAT'S A--


HEY!
ISIDRO!
*WHAP
*WHAP
TH-THAT SURE WAS CLOSE...
...WAIT!
ISMA!
DID YOU JUST ...?!
?
WHOA-- FISH?!


FISH LIPS?
EH, WELL, I SWIM AS WELL AS A FISH...
WHAT GIVES? YOU'RE THE ONE GAPING LIKE A FISH!
*SMACK
*OPEN
*CLOSE
T-
T-
T-T-
TITS? WHATEVER, THEY'RE NO BIG DEAL.
NO, NOT TITS! TAIL!
...
*FX: FLICK
FIIISH!!
*SHLAP
WH- WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?!
A TAIL!
A FISH TAIL?!
WHY?! WHY?!
*WHAP
*WHAP
*WHAP
*WHAP
DID I EAT TOO MANY FISH? NO, IS THERE A FISH BITING MY BUTT?
...
THIS THING IS REAL!!!
C...
CALM DOWN ...!!


Ho!
Yo!
WOW, YOU'RE CALM ALREADY.
I THINK I LEARNED A TRICK.
IT WAS *TRUE*...
THAT STUFF MY PA TOLD ME.
YEAH!
*FX: FISSSH
YOU GUYS GOT SOME PROBLEM WITH THAT?!
SHE'S A MER-ROW.
MER-ROW...
THE GIRL'S A MERROW, HUH?


NO STANDING AROUND! GET THOSE CANNONS READY TO FIRE AGAIN!
WELL, WHY NOT AT THIS POINT?
WE'VE *ALREADY* SEEN A GHOST SHIP AND A BUNCH OF MONSTERS.
BESIDES, THIS IS NO TIME FOR THAT.
EH?
THAT *THING* OUT THERE IS WHAT WE NEED TO WORRY ABOUT...
BUT WHY, ALL OF A SUDDEN?
THIS'LL MAKE MONEY.
YOU'VE BEEN IN THE OCEAN BEFORE, BUT YOU'VE NEVER CHANGED, RIGHT?
NYA HA HA HA
I HEARD VOICES.
THEY'VE ALWAYS WHISPERED TO ME IN THE SEA...
BUT THIS TIME THEY WERE LOUD AND CLEAR.
THEY SAID TO CHANT A NAME I'D NEVER HEARD... MY TRUE NAME. THEN WHEN I DID WHAT THEY SAID...
TRUE NAME?
UMM, I THINK IT'S...
HEYYY!
STOP! STOP! DON'T SAY IT!


YOUR TRUE NAME GOVERNS YOUR TRUE FORM. YOU WENT BACK TO THIS FORM BECAUSE YOU CHANTED IT!
THAT'S *YOUR* TRUE NAME!
LISTEN! ELVES, SPIRITS, AND WHATNOT HAVE A SECRET NAME THEY CAN *NEVER* TELL PEOPLE!
SO NEVER TELL ANYONE! UNLESS IT'S SOMEONE YOU CAN REALLY TRUST!
YOU DON'T SAY.
HUH.
AND IF SOMEBODY FINDS OUT YOUR TRUE NAME, IT MEANS HE'LL HAVE CONTROL OVER YOU!
THAT SOUNDS STRANGE, THOUGH.
WHO COULD TELL YOU YOUR SECRET NAME IF YOU DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IT YOURSELF?
THAT'S WHAT I'D LIKE TO-- *OW!*
MUNCH
NYO HO HO HO
OH NO, YOU CAN'T TRUST THEM!
BUT HEY, I WOULDN'T REALLY MIND IF *YOU* GUYS KNEW IT...
WOW, THAT'S HOW IT WORKS?
HAVE YOU GOT A TRUE NAME, TOO?
UMM... "JUSTIN BAILEY," NO--"DOOP DAUNDAUN LEFRYTE"...
...I FORGET NOW.
LOOK AT THAT!!
HEY!


THOSE ARE--
!
THEY'RE BENEATH THE SHIP, TOO...!


THERE'S A SCHOOL OF SOMETHING GATHERING AROUND THE ISLAND!
ARE THEY DOL-PHINS?
LOOK HOW MANY THERE ARE!!


*DOOOOM
GUTS ...!


*CHONK


ARE YOU ALRIGHT ...?!
YEAH! YOUR MISTRESS' HEIRLOOM IS REALLY SOMETHING. THEY WON'T BITE THROUGH IT LIKE SOME CRAB OR LOBSTER SHELL.
*FX: SHMP
*FX: SHMP
AND AS YOU KNOW...
*FX: KRRRN
IT DOESN'T HURT.
NOT EVEN AS MUCH AS GETTING STUCK BY A LITTLE BONE!
*LEAP

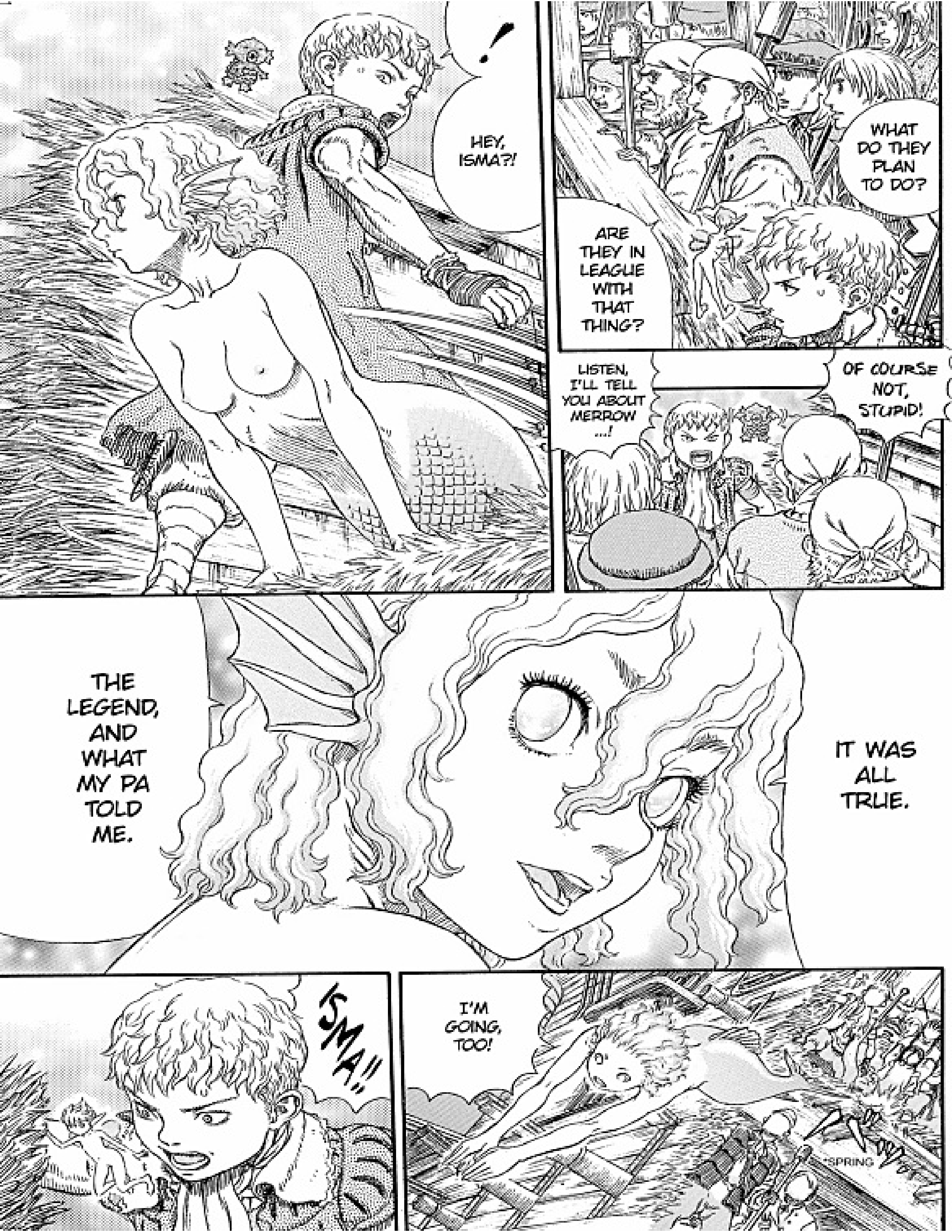


*BAKONNNG
...!
*SHOOMP
*SHAFFF
*BWOMF


*BAKONNNG
*GUSH
*GUHAH


GUTS ...!!
*ZHONK
*FX: WHAM
*BAKONNNG


THEY'RE MAKING FOR THAT MONSTER!!
IT'S A BIG SCHOOL OF MERROW!!
MERROW ...!
ゴオオオオオオ
*VOOOOSH


WHAT DO THEY PLAN TO DO?
ARE THEY IN LEAGUE WITH THAT THING?
OF COURSE NOT, STUPID!
LISTEN, I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT MERROW ...!
!
HEY, ISMA?!
IT WAS ALL TRUE.
THE LEGEND, AND WHAT MY PA TOLD ME.
I'M GOING, TOO!
*SPRING
ISMA!!


THIS IS MY ISLAND...
...AND MERROW FIGHT AGAINST THE SEA GOD!!
THIS IS NO PLEASURE CRUISE, RIGHT?! IF WE DON'T PICK UP THE PACE, WE'LL MISS ALL THE ACTION!!
YOU JUST GONNA STAND THERE AND WATCH ?!
FINE, JUST CALM DOWN.
THERE SHE GOES...
...
HEY! CAPTAIN!
*BDOOSH
GET US IN RANGE OF THAT MONSTER!!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ITS TENTACLES !!
JUST BE MINDFUL OF THE SURGE!!



STOP

This is the back of the book!

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What Guts the Black Swordsman and his companions had seen as an island refuge from monstrous sea creatures and the ghost ship of the demonic Bonebeard is in fact the very lair of the malefic sea god that controls them. With no avenue of escape, Guts must once again don the Berserker armor to give his company any chance of survival. But without the protective influence of the sorceress Schierke, Guts risks being forever lost within the cursed armor and becoming an even greater threat to his comrades!

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